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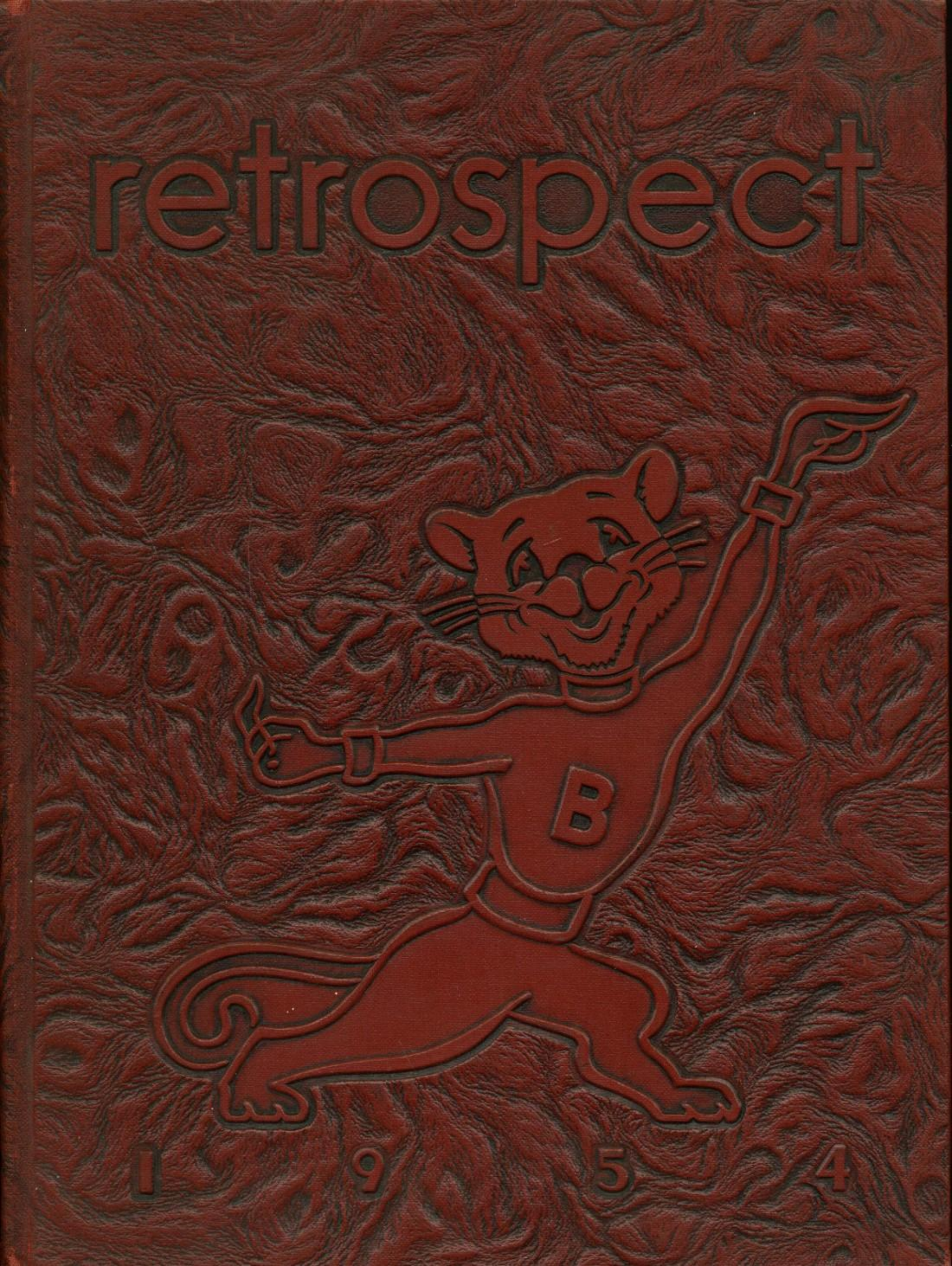

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1954

Bluffton - Allen

High School

BLUFFTON, INDIANA

Meet Leroy

The Spirit of B. H. S.

ALLEN HIGH SCHOOL

Leroy Wants To Escort You Through B. H. S.

Our little tiger typifies the average student. He has laughed harder, cried harder, got into —and out of—more trouble than ever before. This has been one of the biggest years of his life.

OPPOSITE PAGE: (lower left) "Won't that bell ever ring?" . . . (lower right) Jim and Eleanor talk it over. THIS PAGE: (lower left) Are they talking about you? . . . (upper right) The senior boys perch on Casey's car as they wait for the bell.

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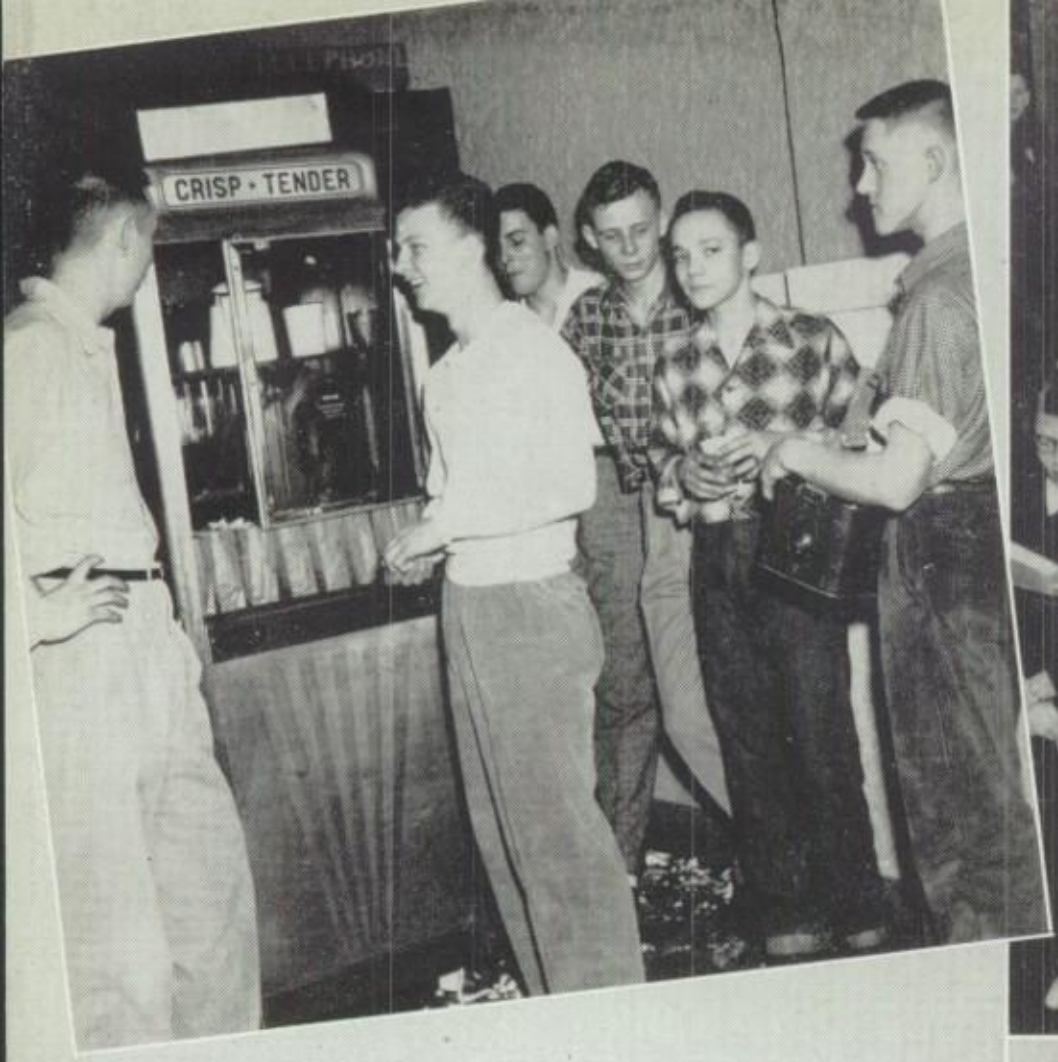
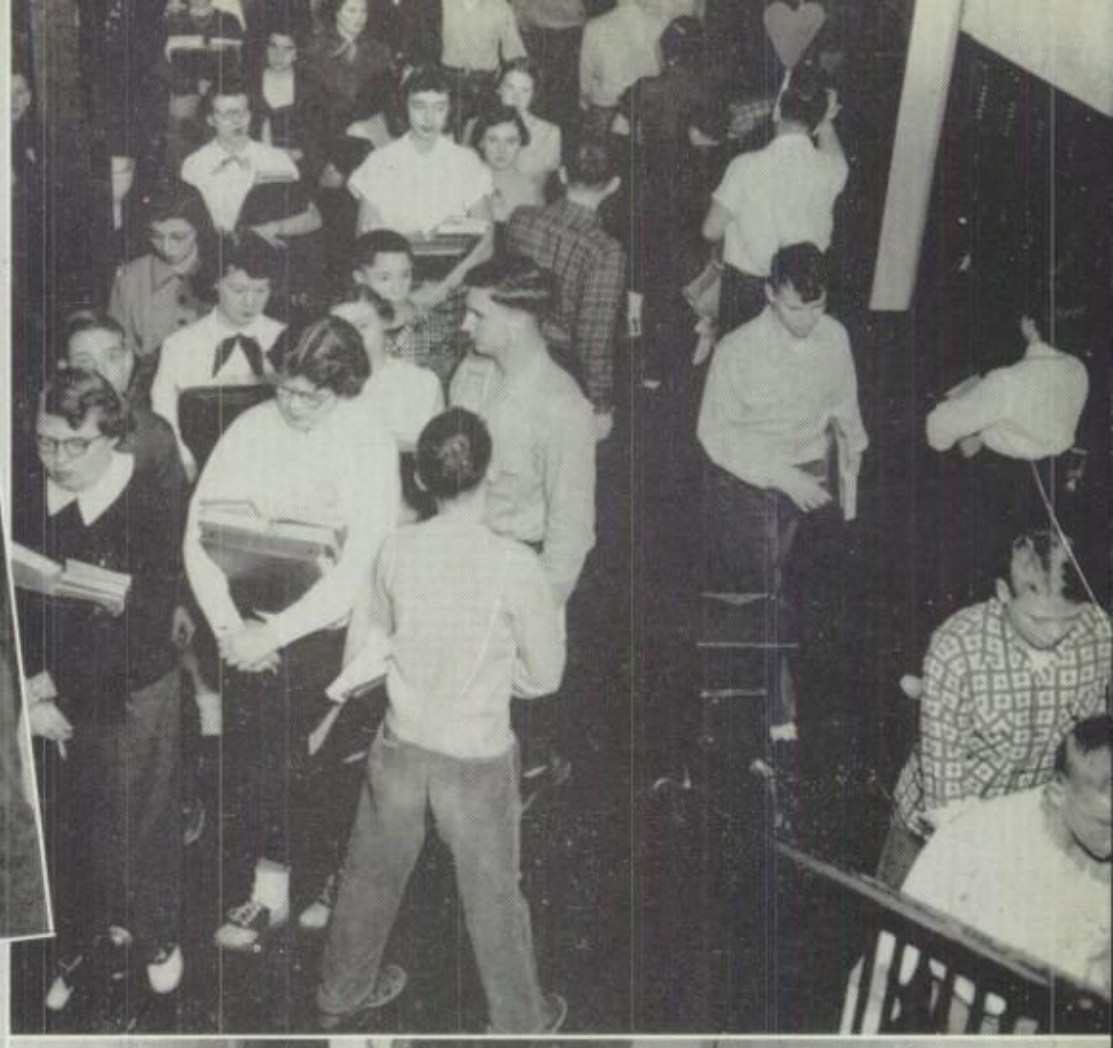




Art Club Gives Leroy Form For Sectional Tourney

CLOCKWISE: One of the Hi-Y club's most lucrative projects . . . The hall at 3:25.1 . . . Don't you wish you were the only soph letterman? . . . What did *you* get in English? . . . Mo buys a ticket for the last dance of '54 . . . The hall at 3:24 . . . The janitors take a coffee break. . . . FAR RIGHT: Ronnie symbolizes the class of '54 as he takes one last look and says "good-by" to high school days.

Faculty

Even though Leroy couldn't quite figure out how he got such grades, he appreciated the understanding help of the faculty.

Board Of Education

TOP RIGHT: Dr. H. D. Brickley, who is known for his pleasant disposition, is one of the leading physicians in our town. He has been the president of the school board for many years.

TOP LEFT: Mr. Homer A. Markley, an ardent sports enthusiast, leaves for his work in Ft. Wayne. Having served eight years in the capacity of secretary of our school board, he is a well-known member of our community.

BOTTOM LEFT: Mr. John H. Edris, a lawyer in the Edris and Edris law firm, capably fills his position as treasurer of the school board. Mr. Edris, who is very civic minded, is greatly interested in the growth of our education.

Principal

Fred F. Park

For the past four years, it has been our privilege and pleasure to work with and for the members of the Class of 1954.

It is our hope that those experiences, which it has been our lot to share during this period, have developed in you a willingness and ability to do those things which contribute to our mental, physical, moral, and spiritual welfare.

If this has been the case, then your high school days will have aided you in better making those future adjustments which the complex world in which we live demands.

ABOVE: Mr. Park relays a message to Kate Rix, his industrious secretary.

BELOW: Mr. Willey checks on the finances for the new gymnasium with his able assistant, Barbara Weaver.

Superintendent

L. R. Willey

Students of Allen High,

Congratulations on the completion of another school year. May this 1954 Retrospect be a permanent record of your high school activities and achievements.

We hope that your high school experience has been a challenge and has enabled you to discover your greatest interest—thus providing you with an opportunity to work to the maximum of your ability.

Today, education is a never ending process that does not cease at graduation, but it is the beginning of a new and happy experience that will provide greater satisfaction to you and profit to society.

Faculty

ROBERT N. BENNETT—B. A., Butler University; Commerce; Senior Class Sponsor.

As Jerry Higgins and Jim Williams use the adding machine, instead of their heads, the rest of the class work frantically to straighten out their bookkeeping.

Ralph A. Broman

RALPH A. BROMAN—A. B., Ball State Teachers College; Mathematics and Physics; Arc of Alpha and Sophomore Class Sponsor.

Jack Ulmer has a problem! George Turmail tries to clear up the situation as his classmates look on.

HAROLD L. CHAMBERLAIN —B. M., Indiana University; Vocal Music; Director of Concert Chorus.

The mixed quartet of our glee club is rapidly gaining reputation as a popular group of entertainers.

LEROY COMPTON—B. S., Butler University, M. S. Indiana University; Basketball and Baseball Coach; Assistant Football Coach.

Listening intently to the plays, Mo Harnish, Jerry Higgins, Steve Foster, and Don Hay think about the big game coming up.

LESLIE A. DOLD—B. S., Butler University; Physical Education and Driver Training; Football and Track Coach; Assistant Basketball Coach; Freshman Class Sponsor.

The boys look amazed as they see the number of bones they have to memorize. "Will we ever learn them?"

EVELYN GERKE—B. S., Ball State Teachers College; Vocational Home Economics; Y-Teen Sponsor; Junior Class Sponsor.

Could it be that Donna Wolfcale is demonstrating the new sewing machine to Frankie Marshman, Ann Carnall, and Carolyn Neuenschwander?

JUNE GROVE—B. S., Ball State Teachers College; English and Girls' Physical Education; Freshman Class Sponsor; G. A. A. Sponsor.

Harriet Sprague is "flying high" with the aid of Janet Reber and her classmates.

JOSEPH F. LARMORE—B. S., Ball State Teachers College; Industrial Arts; Assistant Football Coach; Junior Class Sponsor.

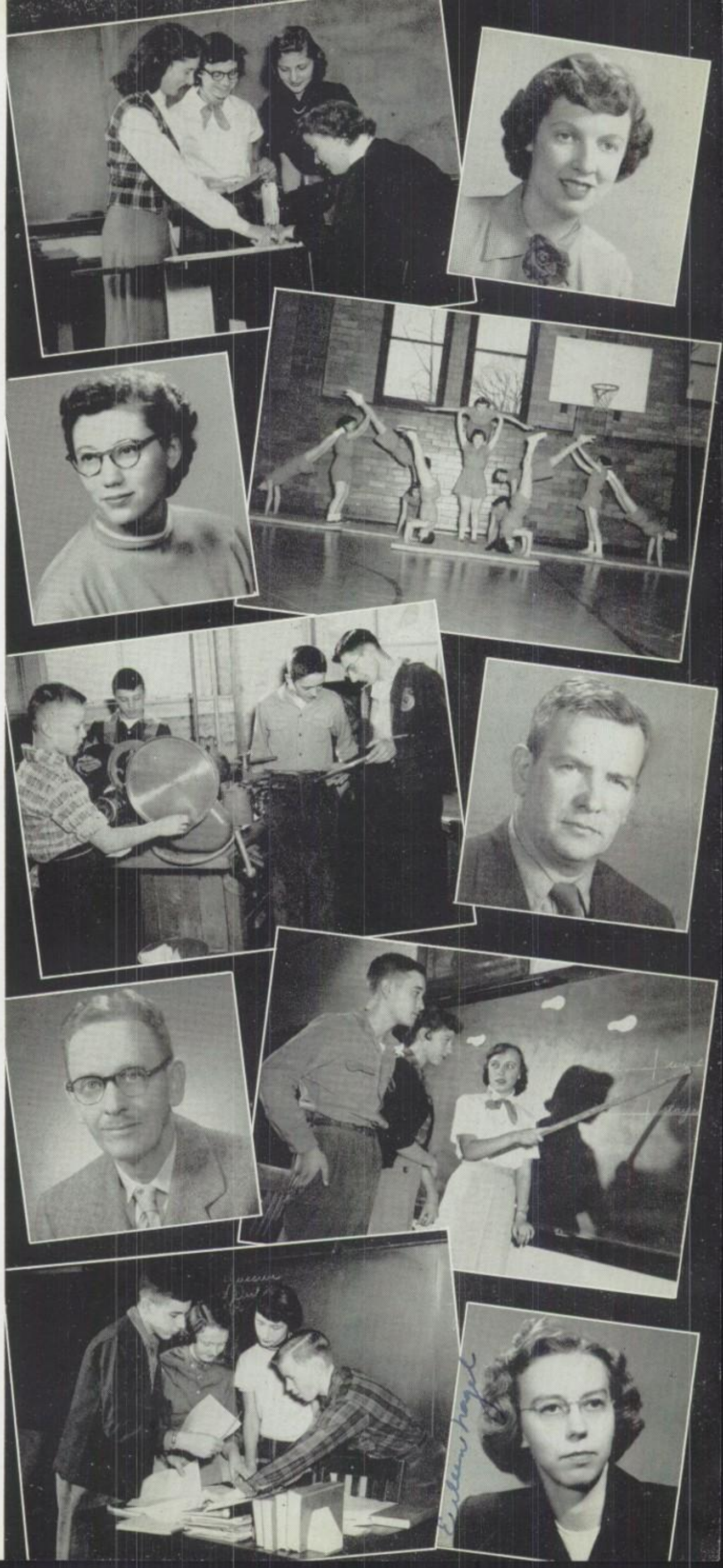
Don Lockwood seems very proud of his newly etched tray as he shows it to Jerry Hook, Junior Steele, and Bill Tewell.

EDWIN R. McNOWN—A. B., Indiana University; English and Social Science; Director of Dramatics; Sponsor of Thespian Society; Senior Class Sponsor.

"But what's the verb?" ask Jerry Schorey and Carol Crump, as Barbara Barwiler diagrams a sentence.

EILEEN NAGEL—B. S., M. S., Indiana University; Latin, English; Assistant Director of Dramatics; Sponsor Sodalitas Latinae; Sophomore Class Sponsor.

It's one mad scramble as Wade Hammond, Becky Johnston, Linda Gross, and Jim Davis look for their Latin papers upon Miss Nagel's desk!



FRED F. PARK—A. B., Ball State Teachers College, M. S., Indiana University; Mathematics; Comet Adviser; Retrospect Business Adviser.

There are many headaches for Caroline Buckner, Linda Arend, Susan Dorrance, and Dave Fornshell in geometry class when it comes to working out problems.

MARGARET POWERS—A. B., DePauw University; Commerce; Sponsor National Honor Society; Senior Class Sponsor.

It seems as though Jack Davis spends more time looking up words than he does using his nimble fingers to type them.

W. C. RATLIFF—A. B., Indiana University; Science; Junior Class Sponsor; Ticket Chairman for School Activities.

"Which chemical do we use next?" wonder Garland Borne and Gordon Holloway. "We'd better be careful . . . it might explode."

Betty Ritter

BETTY RITTER—B. S., Purdue University; English, Speech; Sophomore Class Sponsor; Quill and Scroll Sponsor; Supervisor of Retrospect.

Chuck Rhodes seems very enthusiastic as he gives his speech on Indians. Be careful, boys; you're likely to lose your scalps!

J. ROBERT SCHLATTER—B. M., M. S. Indiana University; Instrumental Music; Director of Concert Band.

Faintly, we hear notes echoing through the halls as the band members try so hard to produce music to be proud of.

LAWRENCE E. TEMPLIN—B. S., Manchester College; Industrial Arts; Director of Athletics and Intramural Program; Sophomore Class Sponsor.

Norm Rush and fellow classmates are industriously printing class play programs.

BERT A. THOMPSON—B. S., Ball State Teachers College; Library Science; Freshman Class Sponsor.

Why the sudden interest in reference books? It must be term paper time for Dick Reimschisel, Jerry Bowen, Pat Vore, and Larry Eiting.

LLOYD A. ULMER—B. S., Ball State Teachers College; Social Science; Junior Class Sponsor; Hi-Y Sponsor.

Dick Ross demonstrates his knowledge of the states as he points each one out to his fellow classmates.

MARY E. WALLACE—B. S., Ball State Teachers College; Art; Art Club Sponsor.

A dab of paint here and a dab there as Rose Anna Baylog, Shirley Ellenberger, Nondes Holloway, and Joe Rush put the finishing touches to their tigers.

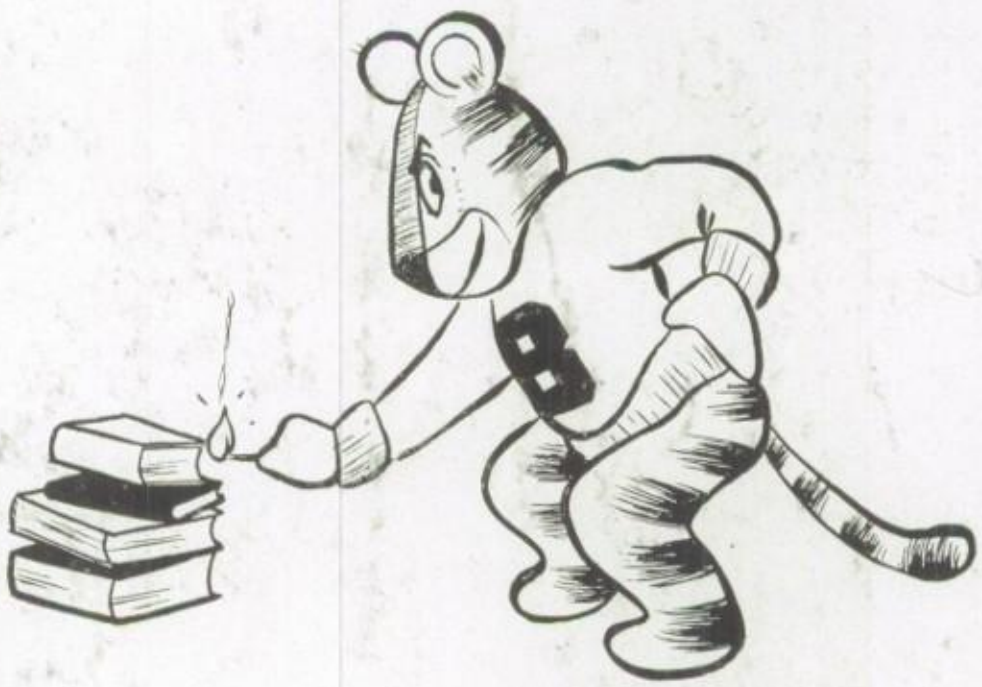
Mary E. Wallace

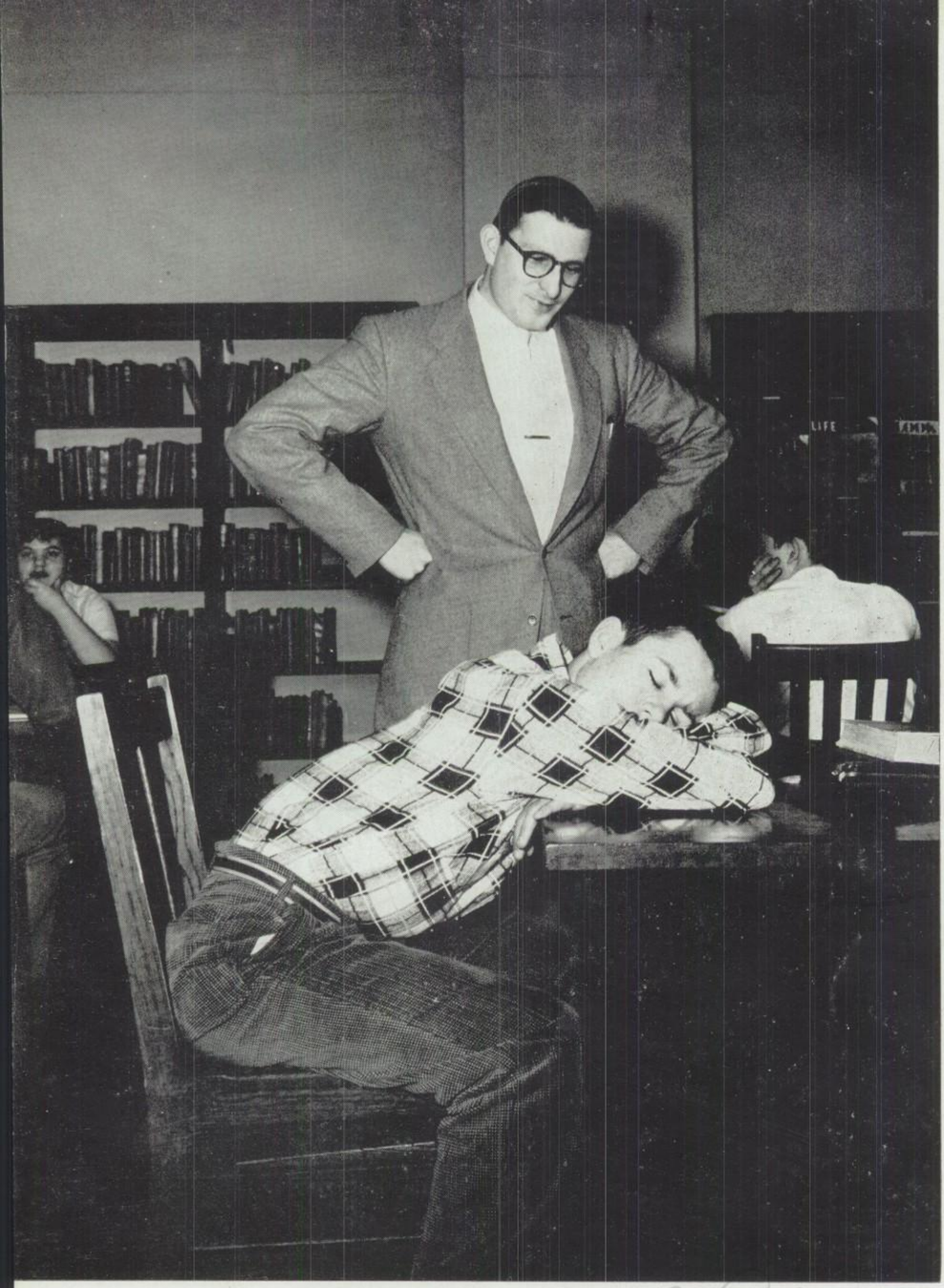
RALPH WENTZ—B. S., Purdue University; Vocational Agricultural, Science, Safety; Future Farmers of America Sponsor; Freshman Class Sponsor.

Bill Davis appears interested as he shows Roland Key and Dan Markley the correct procedure of a milker.

Classes

Sometimes Leroy had an irresistible urge to burn his books; but remembering the friends made at school, he scurried to class—books and all!





Barb G. Thompson

Carol Ann Armey

A nursing career beckons to her. Academic course. Retro Literary Editor; National Honor Society, 3, 4, treas., 4; Latin Club, 2; Science Club, 2, 3, 4, sec., 3, vice-pres., 4; Junior play; Senior play; Y-Teens, 2, 3, 4; Glee Club, 1, 2; Mixed Chorus, 2; Class sec., 4; Cheer Block, 2, 3, 4; Dramatics Playhouse, 3, 4, vice-pres., 4; Thespian Society, 3, 4; G. A. A., 1, 2, 3; Quill and Scroll, 4; State mathematics contests, 1, 2; State English contest, 4.

Rex Athan

Known on the athletic scene as the "mighty mite." Plans to be a coach after absorbing knowledge at Butler University. General course. Hi-Y, 2, 3, 4; F. F. A., 1, 2, 3; Class vice-pres., 2; Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Football, 1, 2, 3, 4; Baseball, 1, 2, 3, 4; Track, 1, 2; 4-H, 1, 2, 3, 4; National Honor Society, 4; Robert Hannie Memorial, 3.

Sue Bayless

This peppy cheerleader will be seen next fall on the campus of Purdue. General course. Retro Activities Editor; Comet, 1, 2, 3, 4; Latin Club, 2; Senior play; Y-Teens, 2, 3, 4; Student Council, 1; Glee Club, 1, 2, 3, 4, sec., 3; Mixed Chorus, 4; Class treas., 4; Cheerleader, 2, 3, 4; Dramatics Playhouse, 4; Thespian Society, 4; G. A. A., 1, 2, 3, 4; National Honor Society, 4.

Rose Anna Baylog

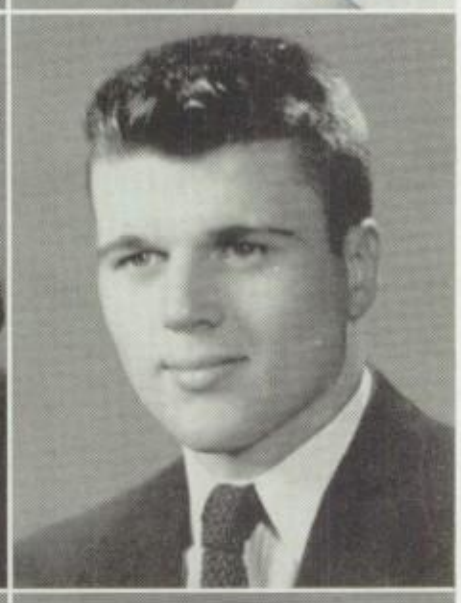
"Rosie" is a terror on the volleyball courts. Her hobby is taking those candid snaps that everyone loves. Pounding a typewriter is her choice of after-graduation vocation. Band, 1; Cheer Block, 4; Art Club, 4.

Mary Bertsch

To be the ideal stenographer is Mary Elizabeth's dream. The shelves of the public library draw her like a magnet. One of the nicest "gals" you'll ever meet. Commercial course. Y-Teens, 2, 3, 4; Glee Club, 1; Cheer Block, 2, 3, 4.

Kay Boltin

Purdue will be the scene of Kay's future triumphs. All those hours tinkering with his car were just a prelude to his choice of career—mechanical engineering. General course. Science Club, 3, 4; Hi-Y, 2, chaplain, 3, pres., 4; Student Council, 4; Band, 1, 2, 3; Football, 1, 2, 3, 4, honorary captain, 4; Intramural basketball, 1, 2, 3, 4, capt., 4.

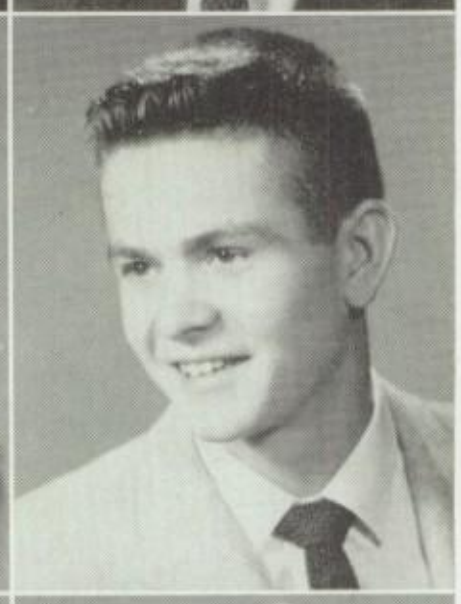


Jerry Bowen

Jerry will be a regular G. I. Joe after graduation. General course. Mixed Chorus, 3; Football, 1; Track, 1, 2, 3; Intramural basketball, 1, 2, 3, 4.

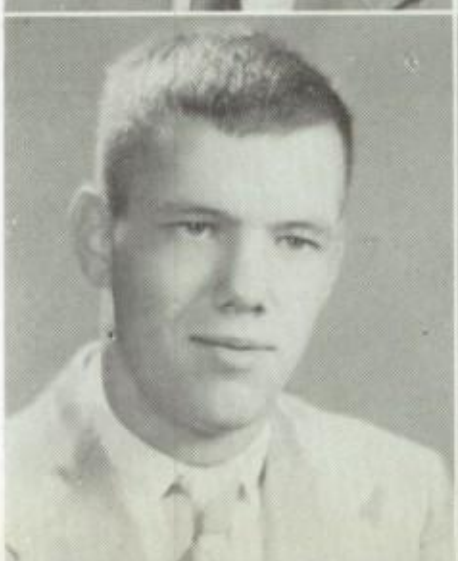
Larry Brown

Brownie's plans include the Navy and then college, courtesy of Uncle Sam. A "sharp" dresser. General Industrial Arts Course. Science Club, 3, 4; Hi-Y, 3, 4, chaplain, 4; Mixed Chorus, 4, vice-pres. 4; Basketball student manager, 1, 2, 3, 4; Football, 1; Intramural basketball, 4.



Jerry Cobb

He plans to work for the government as a soldier boy. Who could forget Cobbie's little green car dashing around the corner at noon hour? General course. Basketball, 1; Football, 1, 2, 3, 4; Baseball, 1; Track, 2, 3; Intramural basketball, 2, 3, 4.



Sue Collins

Remember that blue Chevie dashing through town? Sue wants to take a two-year secretarial course at Ball State. General course. Retro Activities Editor. Comet, 4; Junior play; Senior play; Y-Teens, 2, 3, 4, vice-pres. 4; Band, 1, 2, 3, 4; Dramatics Playhouse, 3, 4; Thespian Society, 4; G. A. A., 1, 2.

Jan Curry

"Slim" wants to see the country before he makes any permanent plans. Loves to take that car apart and put it together again. A professional basketball fan from way back. Oh, how the freshman girls swooned. General Industrial Arts Course. Mixed Chorus, 2, 3, 4; Tennis, 4.

Jack Davis

Another of the "Musketeers." A shy, quiet blond. That brown Pontiac was a streak of "greased lightning." Agricultural course. F. F. A., 3, 4.

William Davis

His soft, southern accent and shy smile wowed the girls. He, Jack, and Roland were the "Three Musketeers." Bill plans to get a job or join the army after commencement. He's undecided right now. General course.

James Deming

It's Purdue University for our Jim. A quick-sketch artist. An outdoor man, hunting and fishing are right in his line. General course. Comet, 3, 4; Science Club, 3, 4; Senior play; Hi-Y, 2, 3, 4; Football, 3, 4; Baseball, 3, 4; Intramural Basketball, 2, 3, 4, capt., 4; Dramatics Playhouse, 4; Thespian Society, 4; 4-H, 1, 2.

Carolyn Donnelly

The Ball State campus looks inviting to Carolyn. She plans to teach commercial subjects to the youth of tomorrow. Sparkling eyes behind dark-rimmed glasses. Commercial course. Y-Teens, 2, 3, 4; Glee Club, 1, 2, 3; Mixed Chorus, 4; Cheer Block, 2, 4; Cheerleader, 3; G. A. A., 1, 2.

Charlotte Ellenberger

A home girl. Working in Bluffton appeals to her. Who hasn't seen "Charlie" and her first love—that beautiful horse? One of a pair of the most unalike twins you'll ever see. General course. Y-Teens, 2, 3, 4; Band, 1, 2, 3, 4; Cheer Block, 2; G. A. A., 1.

Ann Emshwiller

Short and sweet International Business College next year. Commercial course. Retro Activities Editor; Latin Club, 2; Senior Play; Y-Teens, 2, 3, 4; Glee Club, 1, 2, 3, 4; Mixed Chorus, 2, 4; Cheer Block, 2, 4; Cheerleader, 3; Dramatics Playhouse, 3, 4; Thespian Society, 4; 4-H, 1, pres., 2, Jr. Leader, 2; G. A. A., 2, 3; Glee Club Quartet, 4; National Honor Society, 4.

Jerry Fetters

It's either I. U. or Ball State for Jerry. He plans to elucidate on history for some lucky high school students. General course. Band, 3, 4; Athletic Councilman, 4; Football, 1; Track, 1, 2.

Larry Farling

Looks like it's a career as a butcher for "Jack." The Zollner Pistons never had a more faithful follower. A very argumentative fellow. General course. Latin Club, 2; Hi-Y, 2, 3, treas., 4; Basketball, 2; Intramural Basketball, 2, 3, 4.

Stephen Foster

A very scientific fellow, Steve's headed for I. U. in the fall. General course. Retro Sports Editor; Comet, 3; Science Club, 2, 3 4, vice-pres. 2; Junior play; Senior play; Student Council, 4; Mixed Chorus, 1; Basketball, 3, 4; Football, 3, 4; Dramatics Playhouse, 3, 4, pres., 4; Thespian Society, 3, 4; National Honor Society, 4.

Ronnie Fryback

Moved here as soph from South Side. An engineer's degree from Indiana Tech says our crystal ball. Academic course. Science Club, 2, 3. 4; Senior Play; Hi-Y, 2; Band, 2, 3, 4; Class vice-pres., 3, 4; Basketball, 2, 3, 4; Track, 3; Intramural Basketball, 2; Dramatics Playhouse, 4; Thespian Society, 4.

Judy Garrison

A secretary for a few years —then that diamond under Judy's Christmas tree will be joined by a wedding band. Those buttons she's been collecting will come in handy when she's a housewife. General course. Comet, 4; Junior play; Y-Teens, 2, 3, 4; Glee Club, 1; Cheer Block, 2, 3, 4; G. A. A., 1, 2, 3, 4.

Joan Gebele

A course at International Business College is for "Joanie." Her "licorice stick" is "the most, to say the least." Commercial course. Y-Teens, 2, 3, 4, treas., 3; Band, 1, 2, 3, 4.

Morris Harnish

Farmer "Mo" will probably be called by Uncle Sam soon. General course. Retro Business Manager; Junior play, Business Manager; Hi-Y, 2, 3, 4; F. F. A., 1, 2, sec., 2; Band, 1; Mixed Chorus, 4, treas., 4; Basketball, 1, 2, 3, 4; Football, 1, 2, 3, 4; Baseball, 1, 2, 3, 4; Track, 1, 3, 4; Athletic Council, 1; Dramatics Playhouse, 4; Thespian Society, 4; 4-H, 1.

Don Hay

His singing voice set all the girls swooning. "Hazy's" sparkling eyes and curly hair made him a "dreamboat." A true-blue never-say-die member of the first eleven on the football team. General Industrial Arts Course. Student Council, 3; Basketball, 1, 2, 3, 4; Football, 1, 2, 3, 4.

John Herrberg

His models of cars, airplanes, and boats are works of art. Johnnie plans to heed the man's advice and "go West, young man." Then it's the army for him. General Industrial Arts Course. Football, 1, 2; Intramural Basketball, 4.

Jerry Higgins

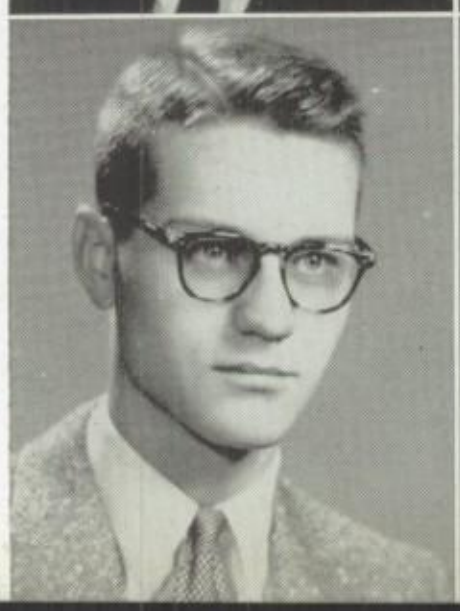
"Hig" was always there with a stellar performance when our Tigers lagged a little. His play was partly responsible for our good football and basketball season. It's I. U. Extension at Ft. Wayne for an engineering course next fall. General Industrial Arts Course. Hi-Y, 3, 4; Student Council, 4; Basketball, 1, 3, 4; Football, 4; Baseball, 1, 2, 3, 4; Intramural Basketball, 2.

Constance Hinesley

Plans to be a secretary after she turns the tassel on her cap. One of the Tigers' most enthusiastic fans. "Five Foot Two, Eyes of Blue." General course. Comet, 4; Latin Club, 2; Y-Teens, 2, 3, 4; Glee Club, 1, 2, 3; Cheer Block, 2, 3, 4; 4-H, 1, 2, 3, 4, sec. and Jr. Leader, 3; G. A. A., 1, 2, 3, 4.

Gordon Holloway

Poet laureate of the senior class. He's had a poem published in a national anthology of high school poetry. "The Quiet Man." General course.



Suzanne Hovde

Suzanne is heading for college next fall. After that—social work. General course. Comet, 4; Latin Club, 2; Senior play; Y-Teens, 2, 3, 4; Band, 1, 2, 3, 4; Dramatics Playhouse, 4, treas., 4; G. A. A., 1, 2, 3, 4; Baton Twirler, 3, 4.

Mary Lou Hower

A scrapbook of her school activities is Mary Lou's hobby. She's set on being a medical technologist. I. U. is her college. General course. National Honor Society, 4; Latin Club, 2; Science Club, 3, 4; Senior play; Y-Teens, 2, 3, 4; Band, 1, 2, 3, 4; Dramatics Playhouse, 4; Thespian Society, 4.

Max Hyde

Were we glad when Max came to Bluffton! We knew that we could really use him on our football team. He came up to expectations, too. Max says that he doesn't have any definite plans yet for after graduation, but he'll think of something. General course. Hi-Y, 2, 3, 4; Football, 2, 3, 4; Track, 2, 4; Wrestling, 3; Intramural Basketball, 2, 3, 4; Art Club, 3.

Richard Hyde

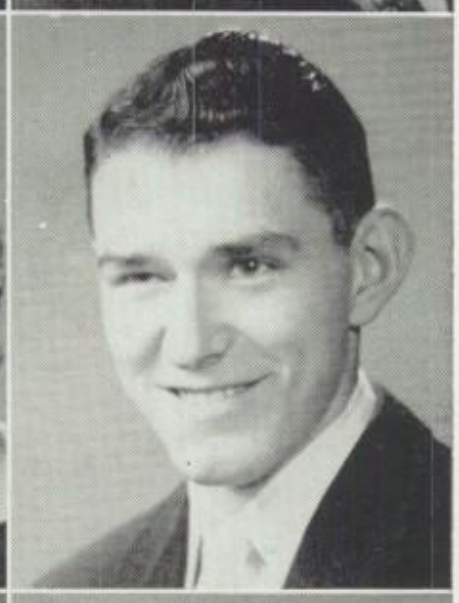
"Horsehyde's" hobby is music. He'll be at college next fall. Academic course. Comet, 2, 3; Latin Club, 2, 3, Scriba, 3; Science Club, 2, 3, Reporter, 3; Junior play; Hi-Y, 2, 3, 4, Serg't-at-Arms, 4; Band, 1, 2, 3, 4; Intramural Basketball, 1, 2, 3, 4; Football, 1, 2, 3, 4; Thespian Society, 3, 4; Bowling Capt., 4.

Paul Johnson

Paul has the makings of a future druggist. He has been working for more than three years at Young's Drug Store. Paul likes to drive that car of his all around the countryside, and he is like the sailor with a girl in every port. General course. Football, 1; Track, 2.

Marybelle Kahn

Marybelle's flaming red hair has won her the nickname "Torchy." Her favorite hobby is collecting miniature dolls. She is interested in secretarial work and is sort of an executive secretary for the fifth period health ed. class. General course. Y-Teens, 2.



Ralph Keller

Hobby? Sports! A broken leg doesn't bother him! He's interested in industrial arts and plans to work with his dad after graduation. General Industrial Arts Course. Hi-Y, 2, 3, 4; Basketball, 1, 2, 3, 4; Football, 1, 2, 3, 4; Baseball, 1, 2, 3, 4; Intramural Basketball, 1, 2; Intramural Bowling, 1, 4.

Suzon Larmore

Another medical technologist! Academic course. Retro Literary Editor; Comet, 3, 4; National Honor Society, 3, 4, pres., 4; Latin Club, 2, 3, 4, trib., 2, quaestor, 3, consul, 4; Science Club, 2, 3, 4, treas., 3; Junior play; Y-Teens, 2, 3, 4; Glee Club, 1, 2; Cheer Block, 2, 3, 4; Dramatics Playhouse, 3, 4; National Thespian Society, 3, 4; 4-H, 1, 2, 3, 4, pres., 3, 4; State Latin Contest, 1, 2, 3; Rotary Contest, 2; Quill and Scroll, 4.

Roland Key

The last of the "Three Musketeers." An outdoorsman who loves hunting and fishing. He moved here from Arkansas this last year. A nice addition to our class of '54. General course.

Eleanor Lee

"Ellie" is setting out to teach Home Economics. She thinks she'll go to Ball State. A whiz at sports, her volleyball team was unbeaten. She's known for her generosity—lets everyone share her locker. General course. Comet, 4; Latin Club, 2; Y-Teens, 2, 3, 4; Glee Club, 1, 2, 3, 4; Cheer Block, 2, 3, 4; 4-H, 1, 2; G. A. A., 1, 2, 3, 4.

Rose Marie Leimgruber

Known as "Ree" to everyone, you wouldn't think of her as the nurse type. That's what she is going to do though! She will be entering St. Joseph Hospital to take training. General course. Latin Club, 2; Y-Teens, 2, 3, 4; Glee Club, 1, 2, 3, 4, pres., 4; Cheer Block, 2, 3, 4; 4-H, 1; G. A. A., 1, 2, 3, 4.

Shirley Lockwood

Shirley's ambitions? For the present—secretary, later—housewife. She sews and makes many of her own clothes. Modeled formal in 1952 State Dress Revue. General course. Y-Teens, 2, 3, 4; Band, 1, 2, 3, 4; 4-H, 1, 2, 3, 4; National Honor Society, 4.

Mary Markley

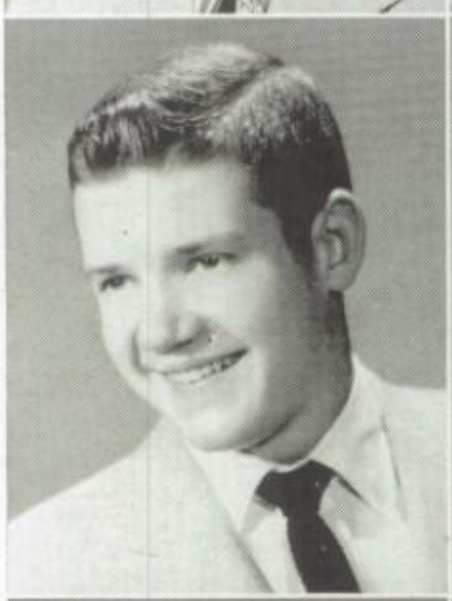
The class musician. Academic course. Retro Editor-in-Chief; Comet, 1, 2, 3, Editor, 3; Quill and Scroll, 3, 4, vice-pres., 3; National Honor Society, 3, 4, vice-pres., 4; Latin Club, 2; Science Club, 2, 3, 4, program chairman, 4; Junior play; Y-Teens, 2, 3, 4; Student Council, 1, 2, 3, 4; Band, 1, 2; Class pres., 1; Cheer Block, 3, 4; Dramatics Playhouse, 3, 4; Thespian Society, 3, 4, sec., 4; G. A. A., 1, 2; State Math Contests, 1; D. A. R. Award; Psi Ote Ring.

Jerry Messick

Jerry's interests are sports and a girl. He really helped make our football team the past couple of seasons. General course. Football, 1, 2, 3, 4; Baseball, 1; Track, 2, 3, 4; Intramural Basketball, 1, 2, 3, 4.

Max Micklitsch

Academic course. Retro Associate Sports Editor; Comet, 3, 4; Latin Club, 2; Science Club, 2, Librarian 3, pres., 4; Junior play; Hi-Y, 2, 3, 4; Student Council, 4; Glee Club, sec-treas., 2; Basketball, 1, 2, 3, 4; Football, 1, 2, 3, 4; Baseball, 1, 2, 3, 4; Track, 3, 4.



Joyce Miller

"Joycie" is the star center on the girls' basketball team. A tall, quiet, blue-eyed blonde. A tumblin' tumbleweed in health ed. Commercial course. Cheer Block, 2, 3.

James Mallers

Everybody knows that Jim's hobby is athletics. His favorite sport? Just whatever happens to be in season. He is going to Butler next year and later on he hopes to become a coach. General course. Senior play; Hi-Y, 2, 3, 4; Student Council, 1, 2, 4, pres., 4; Band, 1, 2, 3, 4, pres., 4; Class pres., 2; Basketball, 1, 2, 3, 4; Football, 1; Baseball, 1, 2, 3, 4; Track, 4; Dramatics Playhouse, 4; Thespian Society, 4.

Evelyn Messick

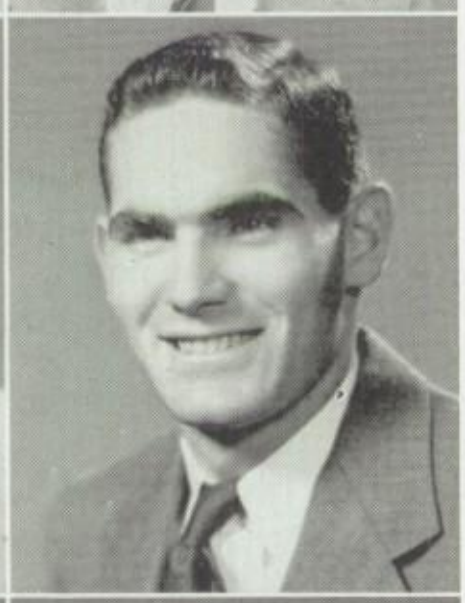
Here is a future beautician. I guess Evelyn really liked working on those class play make-up committees. Her hobby is collecting miniature dogs. General course. Latin Club, 2; Science Club, 2; Comet, 4; Y-Teens, 2, 3, 4; Glee Club, 1, 2, 3; Mixed Chorus, 2, 3; Cheer Block, 2, 3, 4; G. A. A., 1, 2, 3, 4.

Vernon Meyer

Vernon is now working at the News-Banner. Vernon is thinking about a medical technology career, but he isn't sure yet. General course. Latin Club, 2; Junior play; Hi-Y, 2, 3, 4, treas., 3; Publicity Manager, Senior play; Student Council, 3, 4; Mixed Chorus, 2, 3; Class President, 3, 4; Intramural Basketball, 2, 3, 4; State Latin Contest, 1, 2.

Ronnie Milholland

He's a first-class farmer in the making. Ronnie contributes a lot to that F. F. A. farm south of town. He'll soon be farming for himself. General course. F. F. A., 1, 2, 3, 4; Intramural Basketball, 2, 3, 4, Captain, 4.



Neenah Miller

Neenah suddenly decided to be a nurse, so after working at the Clinic this summer, she plans to enter nurses' training. General course. Retro Faculty Editor; Comet, 4; Latin Club, 2; Y-Teens, 2, 3, 4; Band, 1, 2, 3, 4; Dramatics Playhouse, 4; Thespian Society, 4.

Jerry Mitchell

Jerry spends his after school hours working at Masterson-Tyndall's. After graduation he thinks he will continue working and probably will take organ lessons in Fort Wayne since his hobbies are music and fine arts. General course. Art Club, 3, 4, pres., 4.

Best of luck to you George from Jerry.

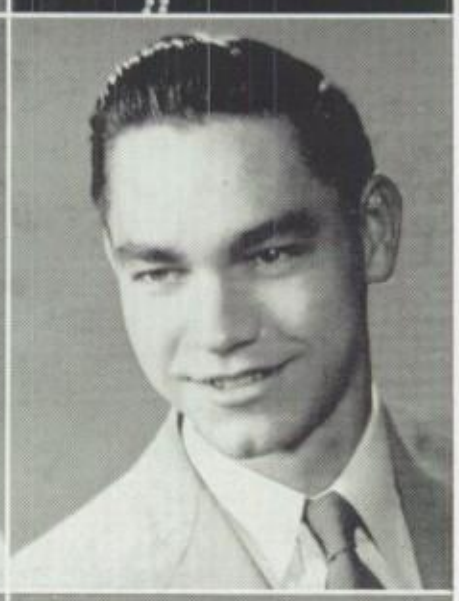
Carolyne Moser

The white cap of a nurse is Mose's goal. Commercial course. Retro typist; Comet, 1, 2, 3, 4; Junior play; Senior play; Y-Teens, 2, 3, 4; Glee Club, 1, 2, 3; Mixed Chorus, 4; Class sec., 2; Cheer Block, 2, 3; Cheerleader, 4; Dramatics Playhouse, 3, 4; Thespian Society, 3, 4; G. A. A., 1, 2, 3, 4.

The Best for you Beta—
Ronnie

Frank Moser

Better known as "Mose," Frank likes hunting and racing. Later on he plans to work in a factory. His present job—filling station attendant. General Industrial Arts Course. Football, 1; Tennis, 1.



Ronald Moser

Ronnie is going to the Cincinnati Bible Seminary next fall, but this summer he'll be working in a bakery at Bryan, Ohio. Ronnie likes fine arts and he also sings in the mixed chorus quartet. General course. Retro Art Editor; Mixed Chorus, 3, 4, pres., 4; Track, 1, 2; Art Club, 4, treas.

Jean Munson

She's had a diamond for five months and will soon be hearing wedding bells. General course. Retro Associate Editor; Comet, 3, 4; National Honor Society, 3, 4, treas., 4; Latin Club, 2; Senior play; Y-Teens, 2, 3, 4; Student Council, 2, 3; Band, 2, 3, 4, sec.-treas.; Glee Club; Class vice-pres., 1, treas., 2, 4; Cheer Block, 2, 3; G. A. A., 1, 2, 3.

Conniejo Murray

The giggle-girl . . . Jo was make-up chairman for our Senior play and was a typist for the Retrospect. After graduation she plans to become a secretary. Boys are her hobby. Commercial course. Comet, 3, 4; Y-Teens, 2, 3, 4; Glee Club, 1, 2, 3; Mixed Chorus, 4; Cheer Block, 2, 3, 4; 4-H, 1, 2.

Phyllis Myers

"Jeannie" likes to play and sing hillbilly music, and after graduation, she hopes to get into the entertainment world. She knows what her goal is. Commercial course. Y-Teens, 2, 3, 4; Glee Club, 1; Cheer Block, 2, 3, 4.

Roseann McAdams

"California, here I come." That's Rose Ann's cry because after graduation she plans to go west and work in her brother's office. Everybody calls her "Mick." Reading is her hobby. Commercial course. Y-Teens, 2, 3, 4; Glee Club, 1; Cheer Block, 2, 3, 4.

Emmaline McBride

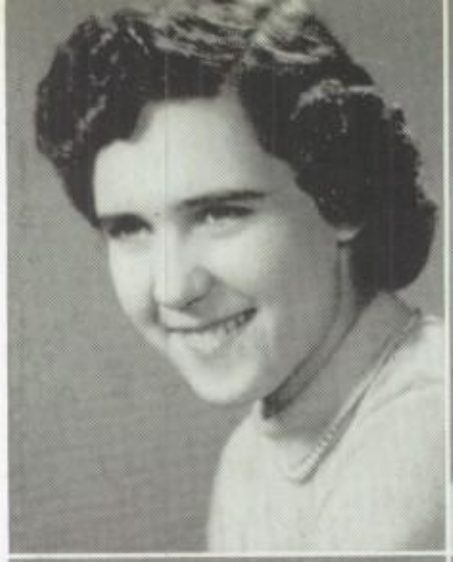
"Emmie's" hobby is needlecraft. She also loves sports. Her ambition after graduation is to get married. Wonderful! General course. Comet, 4; Y-Teens, 2, 3, 4; Glee Club, 1; Cheer Block, 2, 3, 4; G. A. A., 1, 2, 3, 4.

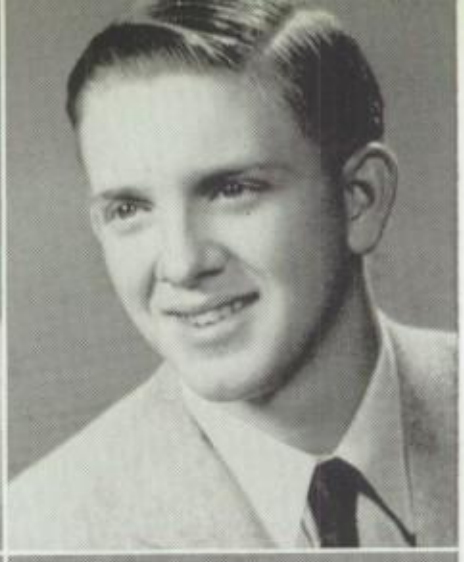
Carol McCarty

We'll all remember Carol as leading the marching band. Carol keeps busy teaching little girls to twirl a baton. She's going to Ball State next fall. General course. Comet, 2, 3, 4; Y-Teens, 2, 3, 4; Band, 1, 2, 3, 4; Dramatics Playhouse, 4; Thespian Society, 4; G. A. A. 1, 2.

Joan Noonan

Joan likes music and sports. She plays the saxaphone in the band and has been in the solo contests every year. As far as sports are concerned, she likes basketball best. General course. Band, 1, 2, 3, 4, librarian, 2, 3, 4.





Harry Oliver, Jr.

"Dude" is heading for the army. Civil engineering is his ambition and after the army he would like to go into construction work. Sounds like a great career! Harry's hobbies are guns and riding a motorcycle. Maybe some of you know Harry better as "Haddie." General course. Basketball Manager, 1; Football, 1; Intramural Basketball, 4.

Richard Pingry

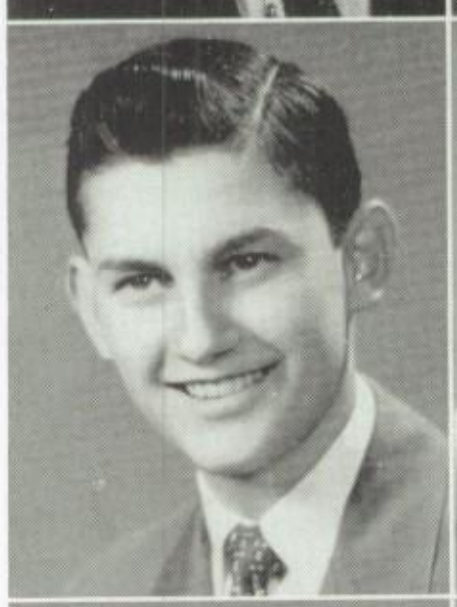
"Ping" is one guy who takes his CAP seriously. After graduation he's going into the air force for four years, and then he'll be doing conservation work. His hobby is painting. Academic course. Senior play; Glee Club, 1, 2, 3, 4; Mixed Chorus, 3, 4; Intramural Basketball, 4; Dramatics Playhouse, 4.

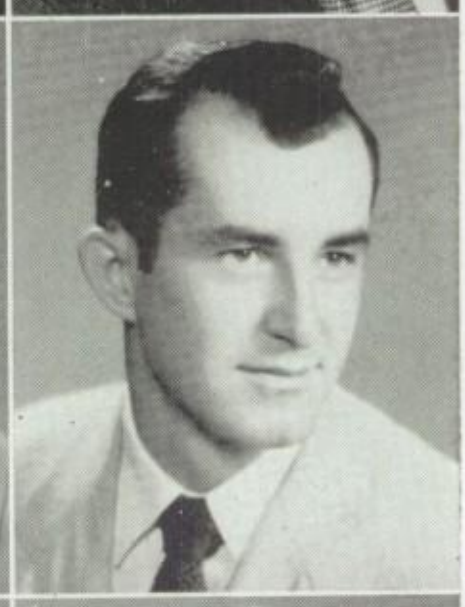
William Reiff

"Dad's" hobbies are hunting and fishing as well as taking pictures of that cute little son of his. After graduation he plans to go into construction work with his father. General course. Comet, 1; Hi-Y, 2, 3, sec., 3; Athletic Council, 2; Basketball, 1; Football, 1, 2, 3; Track, 1, 2; Intramural Basketball, 2, 3, 4, captain, 4.

Thomas Reiff

Tom's No. 1 job is taking care of the scoreboard for basketball games. He says he really enjoys it. He also likes woodworking. Tom is another senior headed for the air force. General Industrial Arts Course. Hi-Y, 2, 3, 4; Intramural Basketball, 4.



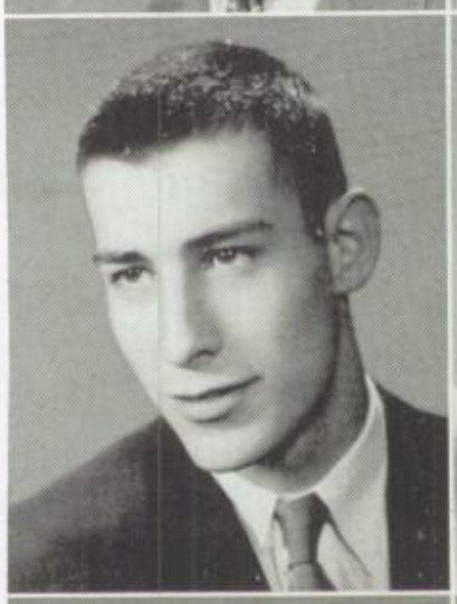


Richard Reimschisel

"Chisel" works in a filling station after school. He says his hobby is girls. We believe him, too. General course. Junior play; Hi-Y, 2, 3, 4; Mixed Chorus, 2, 3, 4; Football, 3, 4; Track, 3, 4; Intramural Basketball, 2, 3, 4, captain, 4.

Charles Rhodes

A forest ranger career is just the thing for "Cecil." His hobbies are conservation and Indians. Chuck's going to Montana State University. Academic course. Retro Assistant Business Manager; Science Club, 4; Hi-Y, 2, 3, 4, vice-pres., 4; Student Council, 4; Basketball, 1, 2, 3, 4, honorary captain, 4; Football, 1, 2, 3, 4; Baseball, 1, 2, 3, 4.



Kay Robbins

Kay wants to be a nurse. She likes to cook and sew and has had three years of home ec. She'll be a nurse's aide until she goes into training next fall. General course. Retro Faculty Editor; Comet, 2, 3, 4; Latin Club, 2; Y-Teens, 2, 3, 4, pres., 4; Student Council 4, sec.; Glee Club, 1, 2; Class sec., 3; Cheer Block, 2,3,4, Captain, 4; G. A. A., 1, 2; National Honor Society, 4.

Roberta Rumple

"Bert" is her nickname. Her job—working in the office at the Rosehill dairy. After high school she wants to get a secretarial job. General course. Latin Club, 2; Y-Teens, 2, 3, 4; Glee Club, 1; Cheer Block, 2, 3, 4.

Norman Rush

Norm says everybody calls him "Lefty." He's been working at Kroger's for several months, and next fall he thinks maybe he will join the air force. General Industrial Arts Course. Basketball, 1; Football, 1; Intramural Basketball, 2, 3, 4.

Nancy Sowards
Nancy is the relief switchboard operator at the Clinic, but hasn't decided whether she'll go to college. If she does, it will probably be Ball State. Comet, 3, 4; Y-Teens, 2, 3, 4, vice-pres, 3; Band, 1, 2, 3, 4.

Harriet Sprague
"Harri's" hobbies are no secret. Everybody knows she loves records and sports. Known for the "Green Hornet," "Harri" plans to attend Hanover and become a health ed. teacher. General course. Retro activities Editor; Comet, 4; Latin Club, 2; Science Club, 2; Senior play; Y-Teens, 2, 3, 4, sec., 2; Student Council, 4; Band, 1, 2, 3, 4, vice-pres., 4; Dramatics Playhouse, 3, 4; Thespian Society, 4; G. A. A., 1, 2, 3, 4, vice-pres., 3, pres., 4.

Richard Stogdill
His name is really "Clyde," and everybody knows about his little red truck. Hobby – fishing, but we all know our teams couldn't get along without him. "Clyde" wants to be a mechanic. General course. Hi-Y, 2, 3, 4; Athletic Council, 3; Basketball Mgr., 1, 2, 3, 4; Football Mgr., 1, 2, 3, 4; Intramural basketball, 4.

Theresa Strain
"Sis" likes bowling, skating, and parties. She's another one who doesn't seem like the nurse type, but she too is going to St. Joseph's in Fort Wayne. "Sissy" is a little absent-minded, but she'll make a fine nurse. General course. Comet, 2, 3, 4; Y-Teens, 2, 3, 4; Band, 2, 3, 4; Glee Club, 1; Cheer Block, 2, 3, 4; Dramatics Playhouse, 4; Thespians, 4; G. A. A., 1, 2, 3, 4.

Rosemary Stuck
"Rosie" is going to be a nurse, and she's been getting a lot of practice. "Rosie" has been working at the Wells County Hospital for several months, so after graduation she'll be all prepared for nurse's training. General course. Comet, 3, 4; Latin Club, 2; Science Club, 3; Y-Teens, 2, 3, 4; Glee Club, 1, 2, 3, 4, treas., 4; Cheer Block, 2, 3, 4; 4-H, 1; G. A. A., 1, 2, 3, 4.

Rosella Van Emon
Rosella says that she's always ready to yell for our basketball team. Aren't we all? Rosella would like to get a job in Fort Wayne after graduation. She likes to play basketball and tennis for sports. Commercial course. Y-Teens, 2, 3, 4; Cheer Block, 2, 3, 4; G. A A., 2, 3, 4; Art Club, 4.

Patricia Vore
Pat will be looking for secretarial work after she finishes high school. She has been very busy typing the Retrospect copy, and she did a fine job. General course. Retro typist, 4; National Honor Society, 4; Cheer Block, 2, 3, 4; Comet, 4; G. A. A., 3, 4.

Betty Wenger
Betty, who is a star in Miss Power's classes, plans to work at the clinic or the Wells County Hospital after graduation. Betty is a faithful member of Y-Teens, and she rarely misses a meeting. General course. Y-Teens, 2, 3, 4.

Donna Wolfcale
Donna's hobby really sounds like a good one. She says hers is going to and having wonderful parties. She plans to continue working at Carter's after graduation. General course. Y-Teens, 4; Glee Club, 1, 2, 3. 4; Mixed Chorus, 4; Cheer Block 3, 4.

Fred Zingsheim
Fred is the No. 1 boy at the Kroger store, but he's not going to be a grocer. He has decided to be an X-ray technologist. General Industrial Arts Course. Hi-Y, 2, 3, 4; Football, 1; Track, 1, 2, 3, 4; Intramural Basketball, 2, 4.

Senior History

The class of '54 started its last year with a "bang" as the Retro staff and the class play cast were announced. At Christmas the seniors decorated the business district. In the spring they saw their last basketball game, their last pep session, their last dance. On May 26, with one last backward look, the Class of 1954 joined the ranks of B. H. S. alumni.

TOP LEFT: Senior officers Jean Munson, treasurer; Ronnie Fryback, vice-president; Vernon Meyer, president; Jerry Fetters, athletic councilman, Carol Armey, secretary, count pennies. BOTTOM LEFT: Senior sponsors, Mr. Bennett, Miss Powers, and Mr. McNown, chaperon a dance.

B.H.S. Calendar

Sept. 8—The school bell rang and we answered; the seniors, for the last time.

Sept. 22—We had two days of freedom to see our fabulous Street Fair.

Oct. 20—Our Tigers retained the silver trophy by beating Portland 38-19.

Nov. 6—The girls turned the tables and took the guys on board the Y-Teen Showboat for a gay banquet.

Nov. 11—Representatives of eleven different schools of higher learning extolled the advantages of their own school to all sophomores, juniors, and seniors who planned to go to college.

FIRST LEFT: We learn to vote by voting. SECOND LEFT: The freshman girls present the entertainment for the Y-Teen Banquet.

Nov. 13—The seniors' second dive into drama met with great success as "Old Doc" alternately wrung the audiences' hearts and made them roar with laughter.

Dec. 26—A sad Saturday for us as our Tigers were beaten twice in one day in the Holiday Tourney at Alexandria.

Jan. 17—The band gave a minstrel show at their Winter Band Concert. A sho-nuff success.

Feb. 27—Bluffton sheared the nets in the new Ossian gym and carried home the title of "Sectional Champs."

March 1—No school as we celebrated our successful invasion of Ossian.

March 6—A wildly enthusiastic cheering section saw the Tigers upset a dazed Huntington five, favored to take the regional, only to fall victim to undefeated Mississinewa in the evening.

March 12—The juniors outdid themselves as they wowed a full house with their first dramatic attempt, "Room for One More."

March 26—Those long hours of practice paid off as the Glee Clubs gave us a hit program for their Spring Concert.

April 19—A day off after Easter to rest up for the last long pull until May.

April 30—The Hi-Y boys entertained their best girls at a banquet fit for queens.

May 21—An elegant reception, followed by the best party ever, kept the juniors and seniors dancing until dawn.

May 23—The seniors sat in their caps and gowns and listened solemnly to the words of advice given them at Baccalaureate.

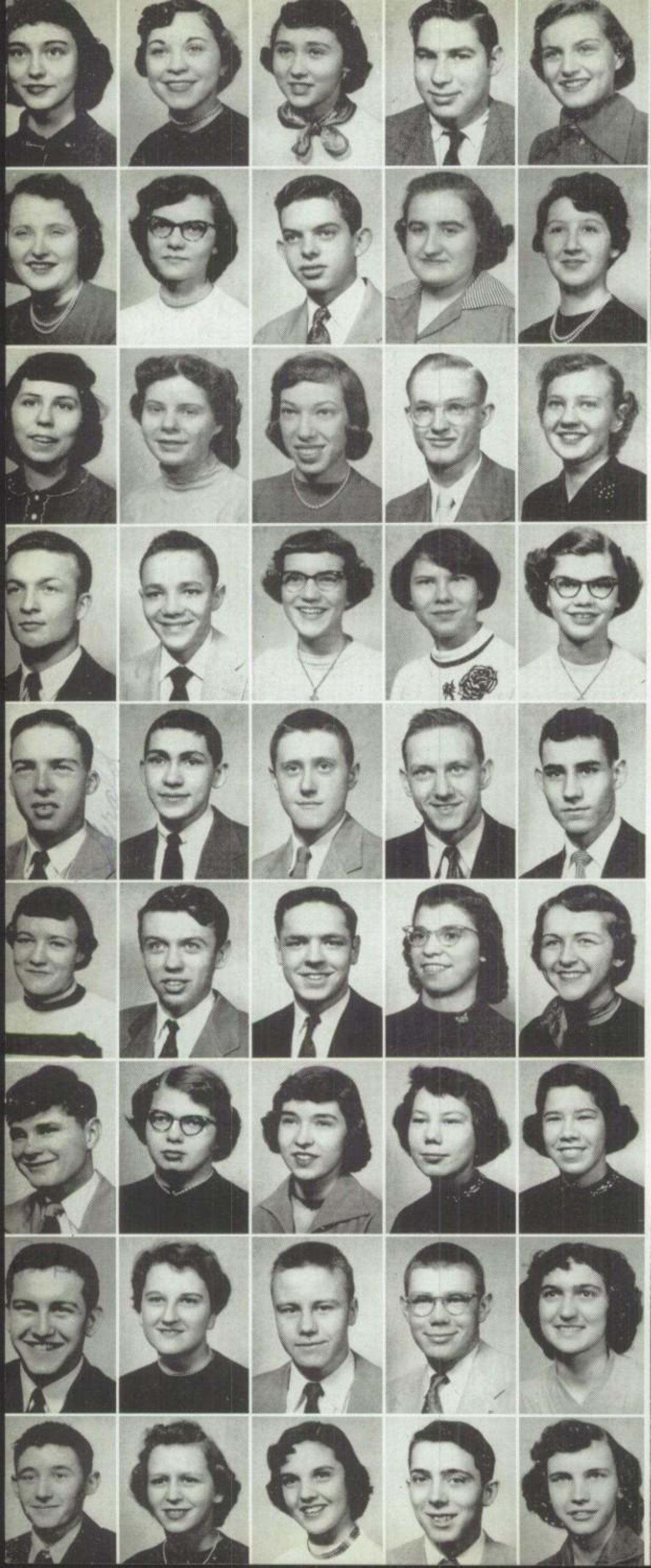
May 25—On Class Day awards and scholarships were presented to those earning them.

May 26—The seniors sighed, turned the tassels on their caps, and became alumni of B. H. S.

FIRST RIGHT: Chuck and Jim decorate the business district for Christmas. SECOND RIGHT: A high point of the Decatur game. THIRD RIGHT: Ann and Ree dress up for Kids' Day. FOURTH RIGHT: Four of the seniors talk over their futures as they wind up their high school career.

UPPER LEFT: Can those girls clerk! We really keep them busy. UPPER CENTER: Well, kids, which college have you picked? CENTER LEFT: We'll never forget that first reception. It was the most exciting of the Arabian nights. CENTER: "Dosie-do and around we go." The girls gave us a big show at that Portland football game. LOWER LEFT: Just listen to that Cornet Section. No wonder our band sounds so good. LOWER RIGHT CENTER: It's College Night, but nobody looks happy about leaving high school. Why should they though?

UPPER RIGHT: Do you suppose these chem students are concocting more of that terrible rotten egg smell? Well, science must progress! INSERTION RIGHT CENTER: Is Cal telling another one of his tall tales, Pat? Don't believe everything he tells you. CENTER RIGHT: "Ellie" is really generous with her locker. She lets all her friends share it with her. LOWER RIGHT CENTER: Eleanor and Steve are busy writing their state scholarship exams. Can you imagine a three hour test? LOWER RIGHT: Hurry, Roberta! You're going to be late!



The junior officers, president, Fred Schultz; athletic councilman, Cal Durbin; treasurer, Shirley Gregg; vice-president, Roxy Nelson; and secretary, Barb Heller, anxiously talk over plans for the junior-senior reception.

Juniors Claim

ROW 1: Linda Arend, Sue Bennett, Carol Bercot, Chancey Betz, Garland Borne.

ROW 2: Caroline Buckner, Mary Butler, Charles Captain, Sharon Carnall, Janice Christianson.

ROW 3: Lalonnie Clanin, Susie Clark, Nancy Costello, Joe Creek, Kay Davis.

ROW 4: Bob Davis, Vance Davison, Mary Ann Decker, Darlene Denman, Susan Dorrance.

ROW 5: Gerald Dunwiddie, Cal Durbin, Terry Flowers, Dave Fornshell, Tom French.

ROW 6: Doris Garrison, Pete Geels, Bob Geisel, Gladys Gerber, Diane Gordon.

ROW 7: Marion Gray, Jane Gregg, Shirley Gregg, Jean Grover, Virginia Grover.

ROW 8: Bob Harter, Barbara Heller, Bob Hiester, Ed Higgins, Emma Fay Holloway.

ROW 9: Gene Huffman, Norma Johnson, Shirley Kipfer, Larry Kneuss, Marlene Knight.

These junior girls look admiringly at one another's sweat shirts.

The junior sponsors, Miss Gerke, Mr. Ulmer, Mr. Larmore, and Mr. Ratliff look anxious to begin a new day's work.

Coveted Class Rings

ROW 1: Libby Kyle, Diann Langel, Lois Larmore, Bob Lee, Beverly Liggett.

ROW 2: Marilyn Linn, Jerry Lockwood, Bob Lusk, Dan Markley, Nolan Markley.

ROW 3: Shirley Markley, Pat Masterson, Pat Micklitsch, Jean Milby, Jayne Mock.

ROW 4: Nancy Moser, Joan McBride, Barbara McKee, Marcia McNown, Roxy Nelson.

ROW 5: Marilyn Neuenschwander, Carol Noffsinger, Shirley Noonan, Ted Pfister, Jim Phillips.

ROW 6: Helen Priba, Saundra Prible, Jerry Randall, Janet Reber, Jim Robbins.

ROW 7: Jim Roberts, Fred Schultz, Karen Sheets, Larry Sliger, Liz Speheger.

ROW 8: Betty Steele, Bob Steele, Bernadine Steffen, Carolyn Steffen, Joan Steffen.

ROW 9: Catherine Steiner, Randy Turner, Geraldine Van Emon, Miriam Welsh, Mona Wilson. Not pictured: Jim Williams.

Junior History

What a big year! The juniors began by holding a party at the state forest. Then came the all important moment in their lives; they ordered their class rings. They needed a money-earning project, so they energetically sold sweat shirts. This year they gave their first class play, "Room for One More," which was a great success. They ended the year with the traditional banquet for the seniors.

With the assistance of Secretary Dorothy Gass, Vice-president Jim Rhodes and President Dick Schmidt, Athletic Councilman Jack Ulmer prepares to give Treasurer Karen Santon a ride on his motor scooter.

Sophomores Get

ROW 1: Bill Adams, Donna Alberson, Dick Alexander, Bernard Arnold, Iris August.

ROW 2: Roberta Baney, Ivan Beer, Fred Booth, Nancy Bowman, Roger Bracht.

ROW 3: Jay Brower, Linda Brown, Ted Bulger, Janice Burroughs, Ann Carnall.

ROW 4: Betsy Carnall, Donna Crosbie, Carolyn Croy, Pete Deam, Judy Deming.

ROW 5: Phyllis Dorrance, Larry Eiting, Mary Elston, Joe Emshwiller, Jack Fitzpatrick.

ROW 6: Dave Flowers, Don Foreman, Bob Franze, Dorothy Gass, Jim Geels.

ROW 7: Mary Alice Geels, Bob Gelow, Jack Gregg, Keith Grove, John Harness.

ROW 8: Janice Harter, Bill Harter, Don Higgins, Vivian Hill, Steve Hinesley.

ROW 9: Nondes Holloway, Carolyn Huffman, Beverly Inskeep, Jack Kaehr, Virgil Kahn.

ROW 10: Fred Kiefer, Benny King, Esther Kneuss.

With paraphernalia in hand, the sophomore girls learn what it is to be initiated into Y-Teens.

After a busy day at school, the sophomore class sponsors, Miss Nagel, Mr. Broman, Miss Ritter and Mr. Templin, depart for home.

Into Swing

ROW 1: Karen Kreigh, John Krinn, Dick Lautzenheiser, Don Lockwood, Diana Maddux.

ROW 2: Jerry Markley, Harry Marshall, Frankie Marshman, Patsy Mayer, Camille Meadows.

ROW 3: Dale Miller, Marcia Motz, Charles Myers, Sara Lee Myers, Carolyn McFarren.

ROW 4: Carolyn Neff, Carolyn Neuenschwander, Charles Osborn, Barbara Penrod, Edruan Porter.

ROW 5: Curtis Prough, Jim Rhodes, Donna Rockwell, Judy Romine, Dick Ross.

ROW 6: Karen Santon, Gerald Schaefer, Dick Schmidt, Allan Scott, Eleanor Scott.

ROW 7: Larry Scott, Anita Sheets, Doris Shepard, John Smekens, Barbara Smeltzer.

ROW 8: Tom Snider, Thea Southerland, Janice Sprowl, Dorothy Stogdill, Martha Sutton.

ROW 9: Jerry Thompson, George Turmail, Phil Tyndall, Jack Ulmer, Dick Uptgraft.

ROW 10: Shirley Van Emon, Karen Venis, Beverly Weaver, Patty Wells. Not pictured: Donna Sue Riggle.

Sophomore History

The sophomores are finally familiar with the halls of old B. H. S., yet they are looking forward to new halls in a new building next year. This year this enterprising class energetically sold boxes of all-purpose greeting cards. Their aim was a big bank account!

Their big event this year was the initiation into Hi-Y and Y-Teens.

With smiling faces, Athletic Councilman Bob Shaefer, Treasurer Beverly Mead, Vice-president Jerry Hook, Secretary Carol Templin, and President Pat Thoma are proud to be a part of our school.

Freshmen Find

ROW 1: Dwan Arnold, Barbara Barwiler, Bob Bates, Donna Bennett, Donna Betz.
ROW 2: Dellila Brown, Jerry Christianson, Don Cochran, Mike Colbert, Naomi Cooper.
ROW 3: Ben Courtney, David Creek, Carol Crump, Bill Cupp, Charles Curtis.
ROW 4: Edith Davis, Jim Davis, Donna Earhart, Jan Edington, Ellen Eichhorn.
ROW 5: Jean Eisaman, Bob Elston, Patty Faus, Gene Freese, Jim Gavin.
ROW 6: Linda Gross, Judy Guthrie, Wade Hammond, Shirley Haver, Norman Helblig.
ROW 7: Ed Hiatt, Carroll Hiester, Jerry Hook, Jack Huss, Carolyn Ingmire.
ROW 8: John Inskeep, Janet Isch, Rebecca Johnston, Earl Kahn, Sharon Keller.
ROW 9: Larry Kunkel, Betsy Larmore, Mary Ann Leimgruber, Joan Lesh, Judy Liggett.
ROW 10: Alice Mason, Beverly Mead, Loretta Melton, Jane Meyer, Toby Milholland.
ROW 11: Kenneth Miller, Bonnie Mittlestedt, Maynard Moser, Ruby Munson, Shirley McBride.

The new freshmen struggle frantically to open their lockers.

"It's ladies first" as the class sponsors, Mr. Dold, Mr. Thompson, and Mr. Wentz, assist Mrs. Grove in getting a drink.

High School Fascinating

ROW 1: Suzanne McFarren, Bonnie Niblick, Gloria Niles, Don Pace, Phyllis Pace.

ROW 2: Don Park, Jim Peeper, Bob Pence, Clifton Pennick, Clyde Penrod.

ROW 3: Marilyn Penrod, Carl Perry, Dorothy Perry, Julia Pfister, Tom Plummer.

ROW 4: Jerry Poling, Pat Powell, David Prible, Carol Redd, Don Reeves.

ROW 5: Rosemary Richey, Jim Riemke, Joe Rush, Sonja Sawyer, Jerry Schorey.

ROW 6: Carole Schreiber, Fred Schreiber, Bob Shafer, Fred Sliger, Mariann Snider.

ROW 7: Dave Summers, Junior Steele, Rudy Steury, Sylvia Stout, Peggy Swagart.

ROW 8: Eugene Taylor, Carol Templin, Bill Tewell, Pat Thoma, Jon Turner.

ROW 9: Bob Ulmer, Miriam VanEmon, Pete VanEmon, Carol Venis, Pat Ward.

ROW 10: Ted Wasson, Richard Wible, Dixie Wiley, Janet Williams, Janet Wilson.

ROW 11: Kaye Wolfe, Dorothy Worthman, Alice Zingsheim, Tom Zoll. Not pictured: Larry Markley, Justine Wheeler.

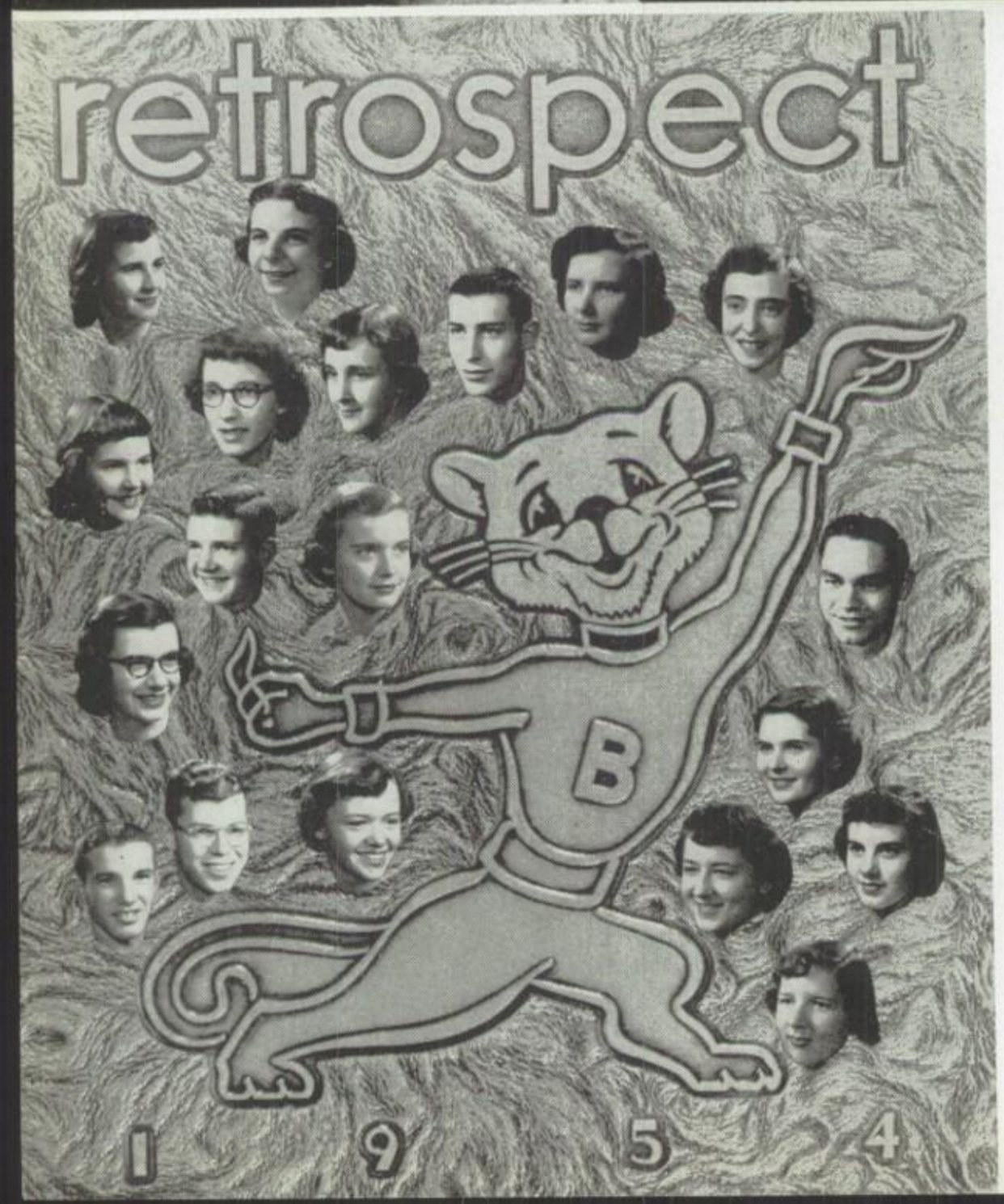
Freshmen History

The green freshmen experienced a big thrill in their lives when they entered the huge halls of their new home. Their first problem was learning the trick to opening their lockers.

Activities

Clubs, concerts, dances, and banquets were a few of the activities which set Leroy in perpetual motion until—with one last mad whirl—his high school life was over.

Retrospect Staff Makes Leroy Famous



FIRST ROW (left to right): A. Emshwiller, M. Markley, J. Munson, K. Robbins, Vore. SECOND ROW: C. Murray, S. Collins, S. Larmore, C. Moser, N. Miller, Sprague, R. Moser. THIRD ROW: Harnish, Armey, Miss Ritter, M. Micklitsch, Foster, C. Rhodes. Not pictured: Bayless.

Twenty years from now you may have forgotten that you had freckles and played hookey one fateful afternoon. You may even have forgotten the thrill you knew when we won the Sectional or when you were elected to National Honor Society.

The Retrospect is more than just a book filled with pictures and thumb-nail biographies. It contains memories of the four happiest years of our lives—high school years.

The Retro staff has worked hard to complete the dummy; to devise schedules for class pictures to be taken; to write animated copy; and, finally, to sell subscriptions. It's been a lot of work, but it's been a lot of fun.

Today we proudly present—the 1954 Retrospect.

TOP ROW: N. Miller, Miss Ritter. SECOND ROW: C. Moser, P. Vore, Murray, C. Rhodes, S. Larmore, A. Emshwiller. THIRD ROW: K. Robbins, M. Micklitsch, M. Markley. FOURTH ROW: Harnish, Foster, Sprague. OTHER SIDE (going down) R. Moser, Armey, Bayless, J. Munson, Collins.

Comet Informs Student Body

FIRST ROW (left to right): Wells, C. Venis, Strain, Mason, Collins, Tyndall, J. Ulmer. SECOND ROW: Burroughs, D. Stogdill, J. Christianson, K. Venis, E. Messick, Baney. THIRD ROW: B. Steele, McCarty, M. Elston, N. Miller, C. Hinesley. FOURTH ROW: J. Garrison, E. McBride, B. Carnall, Borne, C. Moser. FIFTH ROW: Nelson, J. Munson, K. Robbins, P. Micklitsch, M. Micklitsch. SIXTH ROW: S. Larmore, J. Rhodes, Sprague, Hovde, Arend. SEVENTH ROW: J. Deming, T. Flowers. Not Pictured: Bayless.

Editor—Shirley Gregg
Adviser—Mr. Park

SITTING: C. Steffen, L. Larmore, Murray, McNown, Thoma, Stuck. STANDING: R. Leimgruber, Kyle, Decker, B. Steffen, Redd, Worthman. SITTING: E. Scott, Sowards, S. Myers, P. Dorrance, Gross. STANDING: Richey, B. Johnston, K. Sheets, Mason, Mead, Eichhorn.

Friday means a convocation, a ballgame, school out for the week-end, and —the Comet. It's packed full of news, interesting columns and editorials. The Comet keeps everybody at B. H. S. informed on all past, present, and future events. It gives our young journalists experience in the newspaper field and creates cooperation among the faculty and the student body.

Editor-in-Chief Shirley Gregg, aided by Business Manager Caroline Buckner and Advisor Mr. Park, has worked many long hours to bring the student body the news.

MIXED CHORUS. FOURTH ROW (left to right): B. Harter, Reimschisel, R. Moser, Harnish, Bulger, L. Brown, Curry. THIRD ROW: J. Robbins, J. Ulmer, E. Kahn, Cochran, D. Higgins, L. Kneuss, Freese, Schmidt, SECOND ROW: Langel, B. Liggett, Murray, P. Micklitsch, Buckner, Steiner, C. Moser, Donnelly, B. Steffen. FIRST ROW: Milby, A. Emshwiller, Wolfcale, E. Lee, Borne, L. Brown, Masterson, C. Steffen. NOT PICTURED: Pingry, J. Harter, J. Deming, B. Carnall, M. Elston, S. Bennett, Bayless.

Vocal Department Presents Impressive Christmas Concert

Someone's pounding the ivories with, "Crazy, Man, Crazy"; chairs are grinding across the floor; kids are giggling and dancing—then suddenly, a footstep is heard. The boogie stops, the grinding ceases, and the giggles and jive subside; there is a frantic dash for chairs; then all is quiet. A few minutes later the halls of B. H. S. are filled with the strains of "Deep River," as boogie changes to classic and bedlam to class.

In December the Glee Cubs, directed by Mr. Harold Chamberlain, gave their beautiful Christmas Concert at the Methodist Church. With spring and the flutter of robes, came the Spring Concert, Baccalaureate. and Commencement programs.

GIRL'S GLEE. FOURTH ROW (left to right): D. Arnold, Kreigh, S .Dorrance, Stuck, R. Leimgruber. THIRD ROW: Heller, Reber, J. Liggett, Clanin, A. Zingsheim, S. McFarren, J. Wilson. SECOND ROW: Croy, Powell, P. Pace, M. Leimgruber. FIRST ROW: M. VanEmon, Faus, Perry, Butler.

Mr. Chamberlain, the director of the Glee Clubs, is known for his desire to have a "good, big" mixed chorus. With his determination the idea is slowly developing.

Band Expands in Size and Talent

"Hey! Mistuh Bones!"
"What do you want, Rastus?"
"I got a question to ast you."
"Wall, what is it? I know all the answers."
"Wal, were you all at the big shindigs that the band put on this year? You know, the winter concert on January 17, and then the big spring concert on April 25. They sho' was good, wasn't they?"

This conversation is reminiscent of the members of the minstrel show that was given as part of the winter concert The band also engaged in their usual yearly activities—football games, contests, basketball games, and parades.

This band is the largest yet to come out of B. H. S. The sixty-six members were under the direction of J. Robert Schlatter. Their officers, who were chosen at the beginning of the year, are Jim Mallers, president; Harriet Sprague, vice-president; Jean Munson, secretary-treasurer; and Sue Collins, Joan Noonan, and Elizabeth Speheger, librarians.

FRONT TO BACK; ROW 1: Hovde, N. Miller, Fetters, S. Lockwood, Fryback, J. Rhodes, S. Markley, Mallers, Sprague, Gebele, S. Myers. ROW 2: McNown, Franze, Captain, R. Munson, Park, G. Huffman, Adams, B. Steele, Arend, Worthman. ROW 3: McCarty, D. Flowers, T. Snider, J. Noonan, C. Steele, B. Lee, Fitzpatrick, Kyle, Mason, Mittlestedt, Thoma. ROW 4: Randall, B. Davis, S. Ellenberger, Mead, Speheger, Cupp, J. Geels, Alberson, C. Ellenberger, Motz. ROW 5: Strain, Plummer, Bates, Lesh, Tyndall, Shafer, N. Markley, Booth, Eisaman, Sowards, Templin. ROW 6: J. Munson, R. Hyde, J. Lockwood, Gass, Wasson, M. Moser, E. Scott, J. Emshwiller, Hower, Collins, Costello. NOT PICTURED: French, King. INSERTION: Mr. Schlatter is working very hard over a new manuscript. He's always on the job!

The Curious Savage

SEATED: Collins—Mrs. Paddy; S. Larmore—Florence; C. Moser—Fairy Mae; M. Markley—Mrs. Savage; Mr. McNown—director; Garrison—Miss Willie; Armey—Lily Belle. STANDING: M. Micklitsch—Hannibal; V. Meyer—Jeffrey; Foster—Dr. Emmett; Hyde—Titus; Reimschisel—Samuel.

TOP RIGHT: Shhhh—Hannibal's playing is so beautiful. SECOND RIGHT: Ooooo! She bit me! THIRD RIGHT: Miss Willie defends Jeffrey from the Senator. FOURTH RIGHT: Please tell us, Mrs. Paddy.

Breaks Ticket Records

"Hear no evil, speak no evil, see no evil"—this familiar quotation was alive in our Junior Play. Before a capacity crowd we faced the footlights with that delightful play, "The Curious Savage."

The Cloisters, a "rest home" for people with little "eccentricities," and the fascinating people inside made our first stage production a huge success.

We'll never forget when Mrs. Paddy turned out the lights, or when Fairy Mae led a parade of patients around the room. Every bit of it was exciting.

"All's Well That Ends Well," and so it was when the curtain closed on our first success, "The Curious Savage."

Old Doc

FIRST ROW: K. Robbins—Prompter; Hower—Mary Selby; A. Emshwiller—Janet; Mallers—Dick; S. Larmore—Prompter; Hovde—Mrs. Rossi; Munson—Ma; Hyde—Pa; Armey—Mrs. Cronin. SECOND ROW: Collins—Mrs. Mellon; J. Deming—Young Doc; C. Moser—Margaret; Pingry—Dr. Brand; Sprague—Lois; Fryback—Hepple; McNown—director; Bayless—Helen Brand.

TOP LEFT: Mrs. Cronin admires Mrs. Rossi's "leetla' Tony." SECOND LEFT: Oh . . . Bob. THIRD LEFT: It takes three to get old Doc ready for a trip. FOURTH LEFT: Old Doc tells Mrs. Mellon: "If I was Tom Mellon, I'd turn you back in at the license bureau!"

Seniors Make Last Stage Appearance

The curtain rang down on our last great production, "Old Doc." This was a real milestone in our high school life—our senior class play. The laughs, the thrills, the suspense—these kept the audience breathless.

Everyone in the audience reached out in sympathy to Doc's patients and shared their troubles. When Ma tried to untangle Old Doc's problems, the problems just seemed to become knottier. When Old Doc died there were a great many wet handkerchiefs in the audience, but when Margaret and Young Doc finally kissed and made up, the audience was delighted. More laurels were heaped upon Mr. McNown, our director.

The play was over. A whoop of delight from the cast rang over the rafters. We were a success!

Dramatic Playhouse Develops Acting Abilities

This fairly new society has grown to be one of the largest clubs in B. H. S. It has a big membership of eager students who enjoy working in the dramatic field. In their work they experience acting, stage setting, property management, make-up, and other jobs in which all may participate. Mr. McNown leads our students into these jobs, and he always is there when we need him. Our officers are Steve Foster, president; Carol Ann Armey, vice-president; Suzanne Hovde, treasurer; and Calvin Durbin, secretary.

The members gave a showing of four one-act plays this spring for the "Gym-Jamz of '54." Everyone worked hard to make this a big success.

The National Thespian Society is an honorary organization affiliated with the Dramatics Playhouse. To earn the title of a Thespian, one must earn ten Thespian points by the performance of tasks in play production. The club held an impressive initiation consisting of dinner and a candlelight induction ceremony for twelve new members at Carol Armey's house.

UPPER LEFT STANDING: Mr. McNown, Gebele, B. Steele, Hovde, Borne, P. Micklitsch, S. Gregg. SEATED: Mock, L. Larmore, B. Steffen, Butler, Steiner.

MIDDLE LEFT: Durbin performs for—standing: Nelson, S. Dorrance, J. Christianson, McNown, Decker, K. Sheets. SEATED: French, Langel, C. Steffen, Gordon.

LOWER LEFT: C. Durbin and B. Lee rehearsing for the Christmas play, "A Certain Star."

LOWER RIGHT: THESPIAN SOCIETY. SEATED FIRST ROW: Mallers, R. Hyde. SECOND ROW: C. Moser, J. Deming, Harnish, M. Micklitsch, Foster. THIRD ROW: Sprague, A. Emshwiller, Bayless, N. Miller, Strain. FOURTH ROW: Mr. McNown, M. Markley, McCarty, Hower, S. Larmore, Armey.

POINT: Tyndall. ROW 2: J. Ulmer, Smekens. ROW 3: Schmidt, Lautzenheiser, J. Robbins. ROW 4: Davison, Athan, King, B. Lee. Row 5: B. Steele, Harnish, M. Hyde, M. Micklitsch, Uptgraft. ROW 6: Mallers, J. Deming, L. Brown, T. Reiff, D. Stogdill, Fitzpatrick, Kaehr, V. Meyer, Reimschisel, A. Scott, D. Higgins, Geels, J. Emshwiller. ROW 7: D. Hyde, J. Lockwood, D. Lockwood, Osborn, Booth, E. Higgins, B. Hiester, T. Flowers. ROW 8: F. Zingsheim, T. Pfister, Schultz, Lusk, J. Rhodes, Snider, B. Harter, Fornshell, Randall, Mr. Ulmer. ROW 9: Boltin, Creek, S. Hinesley, J. Higgins, C. Rhodes, Farling, R. Keller, B. Harter.

Hi-Y Christmas Tree Creates Festive Atmosphere

The Hi-Y platform includes clean living, clean speech, clean sports, and clean scholarship. Standing on these principles, the club accomplished many things this year.

They were host to the District Meeting on October 8 and had their annual Christmas Party, Dad's Night, and Best Girl Banquet later on.

The officers are Kay Boltin, president; Chuck Rhodes, vice-president; Tom French, secretary; Larry Farling, treasurer; Dick Hyde, sergeant-at-arms; and Larry Brown, chaplain. Mr. Ulmer, the sponsor, is aways on hand to offer his capable assistance.

UPPER LEFT; ROW 1: R. Leimgruber, Donnelly, Strain, McCarty, C. Moser, Wolfcale, Emshwiller, R. Van Emon.

ROW 2: Bertsch, Messick, Rumple, Armey, Hovde, Stuck, Sowards, Lee, M. Markley, McAdams, Bayless.

ROW 3: P. Myers, C. Hinesley, S. Ellenberger, C. Ellenberger, Murray, Hower, Wenger, N. Miller, Gebele.

UPPER RIGHT; ROW 1: Prible, Noffsinger, S. Markley, Costello, Heller, B. Steele, Gordon, J. Gregg, M. Wilson. ROW 2: Bercot, Neuenschwander, Butler, B. Steffen, C. Steffen, McNown, Gregg, Speheger, Bennett, Kipfer. ROW 3: J. Steffen, Nelson, K. Davis, L. Larmore, S. Dorrance, Arend, Linn, Reber, S. Noonan, Mock, Decker. ROW 4: G. Van Emon, N. Johnson, Clanin, Denman, Priba, V. Grover, J. Grover, Christianson, Milby, Langel.

LOWER LEFT; ROW 1: S. Van Emon, Motz, J. Deming, Wells, Romine, D. Rockwell, Burroughs.

ROW 2: C. McFarren, Baney, C. Croy, Sprowl, C. Huffman, L. Brown, D. Stogdill.

ROW 3: Santon, P. Dorrance, Mayer, Smeltzer, N. Holloway, C. Neuenschwander, Gass.

LOWER RIGHT; ROW 1: M. Elston, Marshman, A. Carnall, Hill, Carnall, Scott, K. Venis, M. Geels. ROW 2: J. Harter, Meadows, Bowman, B. Inskeep, Crosbie, Maddux, S. Myers. ROW 3: A. Sheets, Neff, E. Kneuss, Weaver, D. Shepard.

Y-Teen Cabinet Stimulates Members

The evening of November 6 we took our best beaux to the "Showboat." It was our banquet night, with dinner, entertainment, and formal initiation of the new pledges. The initiation was an impressive candlelight ceremony.

The school students were alarmed one morning when they found themselves surrounded by strange creatures. But it wasn't an invasion of Martians; it was just our pledges in the Y-Teens' informal initiation.

With the advent of the Christmas season, members sold yuletide cards and sent cans of food to needy families. Valentine decorations were next, and on March 9, an exchange meeting was held with the Portland club.

The Y-Teens climaxed their fine year with their annual Mother-Daughter Tea. The members are deeply indebted to Miss Gerke, the sponsor; Kay Robbins, president; Sue Collins, vice-president; Caroline Buckner, secretary and Pat Micklitsch, treasurer, for such a profitable year.

Y-TEEN CABINET. LEFT TO RIGHT: S. Larmore, Miss Gerke, Buckner, S. Lockwood, Sprague, Borne, P. Micklitsch, K. Robbins, Kyle, K. Sheets, Collins. NOT PICTURED: Bayless.

All dressed up and with their "Best Beaux," the Y-Teens are aboard the "Y-Teen Showboat."

Versatile Cheerblock Lifts Team Spirit

"Yea Red—Yea Black!"

"Hi, Team, Hi!"

These peppy yells cheered the Tigers on to victory. One hundred forty-three girls, the largest cheerblock in B. H. S. history, made the rafters ring as they saw the last game in the old gym.

They were crowd-pleasers as they made formations, sang, did novelty yells, and rhythm yells. They added a note of color and gaiety which would be sorely missed. They followed the team to the Sectional at Ossian and then to the Regional at Marion. Their final cheer at Ossian, yelled with excited expectancy, was:

"So long, it's been good to know you
"So long, it's been good to know you
These things we've been glad to show you
This is the last time that we'll be here
But we'll see you in our new gym next year."

Arc Of Alpha Encourages Scientific Study

Members of the Science Club straggle into the Math Room until at 7:30 sharp, the doors are closed and a rap of the gavel calls the business meeting to order. These future scientists learn new scientific wonders at every meeting through movies, books, and experiments. President Max Micklitsch heads the club aided by Carol Ann Armey, vice-president; Shirley Gregg, secretary; Pat Micklitsch, treasurer; and Mary Markley, program chairman.

FRONT ROW: S. Myers, B. Carnall, Baney, M. Elston, Kyle, Hower, S. Gregg, K. Venis, P. Micklitsch, M. Markley, E. Scott.

MIDDLE ROW: Tyndall, Fryback, Durbin, Armey, S. Larmore, Arend, K. Davis, M. Micklitsch, J. Deming, Mr. Broman.

TOP ROW: J. Emshwiller, Fitzpatrick, J. Geels, Hiester, Schultz, T. Pfister, French, J. Rhodes, C. Rhodes, Foster, Boltin, D. Flowers, Randall, L. Brown. NOT PICTURED: J. Deming, Maddux.

Sodalitas Latinae Stages Roman Banquet

The annual Roman Banquet was the highlight of the year for members of Sodalitas Latinae. The banquet was held January 26 in a truly authentic Roman manner. Guests were Mr. and Mrs. Park and Mr. and Mrs. Wiley.

Officers for the past year were consul, Suzon Larmore; praetor, Fred Schultz; scriba, Nondes Holloway; quaestor, Kay Davis; and tribunus plebis, Jim Rhodes.

The club helped with the penny carnival by supervising the check-room. Members wound up the year by holding a wonderful picnic at the state forest.

STANDING: Tyndall, Schmidt, J. Ulmer, D. Flowers, J. Emshwiller, Schultz, J. Rhodes, Fitzpatrick, Miss Nagel, K. Davis, S. Larmore.

SEATED: B. Carnall, N. Holloway, Kreigh, J. Deming, S. Dorrance, B. Inskeep, Maddux, Crosbie, Hill, S. Myers, E. Scott.

Art Club Projects Push School Spirits

A recent addition to the B. H. S. family of activities is the Art Club. The club is sponsored by Mrs. Wallace and has been very active this year.

"What color shall we paint him?"

"I hope his tail stays on."

These were typical comments of the worried members as they worked on their major project of the year—a papier-mache mascot for the Bluffton Tigers. They turned out a magnificent tiger of red and black, dubbed "Leroy, the Great." Leroy captured the heart of every Bluffton fan.

LEFT TO RIGHT: R. VanEmon, P. Wells, L. Larmore, J. Christianson, Arnold, Maddux, Baylog, B. Larmore, Mitchell, Thompson, R. Moser, N. Holloway, Mrs. Wallace.

F. F. A. Gains State Recognition

For the first time in the history of the Bluffton FFA Club, three boys received the degree of State Hoosier Farmer. This is the highest degree awarded in the state of Indiana. The three boys were Bernard Geels, Charles Captain, and Jerry Randall.

The 1954 officers are Joe Creek, president; Bob Geisel, vice-president Gerald Dunwiddie, secretary; Nolan Markley, reporter; Marion Gray, treasurer; Steve Hinesley, sentinel; Dick Alexander, conductor. The adviser is Mr. Wentz.

SEATED (left to right): J. Krinn, D Alexander, I. Beer, J. Davis, S. Hinesley, Foreman. STANDING: D. Lockwood, Kaehr, P. Geels, B. Geisel, Lusk, D. Creek, L. Scott, C. Captain, Mr. Wentz, J. Creek, M. Gray.

ON TRACTOR: J. Randall, Dunwiddie, N. Markley.

STANDING: Bayless, S. Gregg, L. Larmore, Foster, S. Larmore, Athan, Hower, A. Emshwiller.

SEATED: Kyle, K. Sheets, Miss Powers, Armey, J. Munson, M. Markley, S. Lockwood, K. Robbins. NOT PICTURED: Vore.

Miss Ritter, J. Munson, Harnish, S. Gregg, Armey, Buckner, M. Markley, S. Larmore.

National Honor Society

Twelve New Members Pinned

The juniors and seniors were excited last January 28. From these two classes twelve new Honor Society members were to be selected. New members are selected from the upper third of their class and are considered for their scholarship, leadership, character, and service.

Suzon Larmore, Mary Markley, Jean Munson, and Carol Armey, elected to the society last year, conducted the initiation along with their sponsor, Miss Powers. The eight seniors elected were Rex Athan, Sue Bayless, Ann Emshwiller, Mary Lou Hower, Steve Foster, Kay Robbins, Pat Vore, and Shirley Lockwood. Lois Larmore, Karen Sheets, Libby Kyle, and Shirley Gregg were elected from the junior class. The four officers gave a dinner for the new members that evening.

Quill And Scroll

Honors School's Journalists

To be a member of Quill and Scroll is the highest ambition of the high school journalist. Juniors and seniors in the upper third of their classes who have done superior work in journalism are eligible for membership in the Peggy Goodin Chapter of Quill and Scroll.

The new members, Suzon Larmore, Carol Armey, Morris Harnish, Caroline Buckner, Jean Munson, and Shirley Gregg, were initiated at the home of Mary Markley, the only member remaining from last year, at an early morning ceremony. The initiates were honored with a breakfast after the initiation. Miss Ritter is the new adviser.

"Student Council Launches Penny Parade"

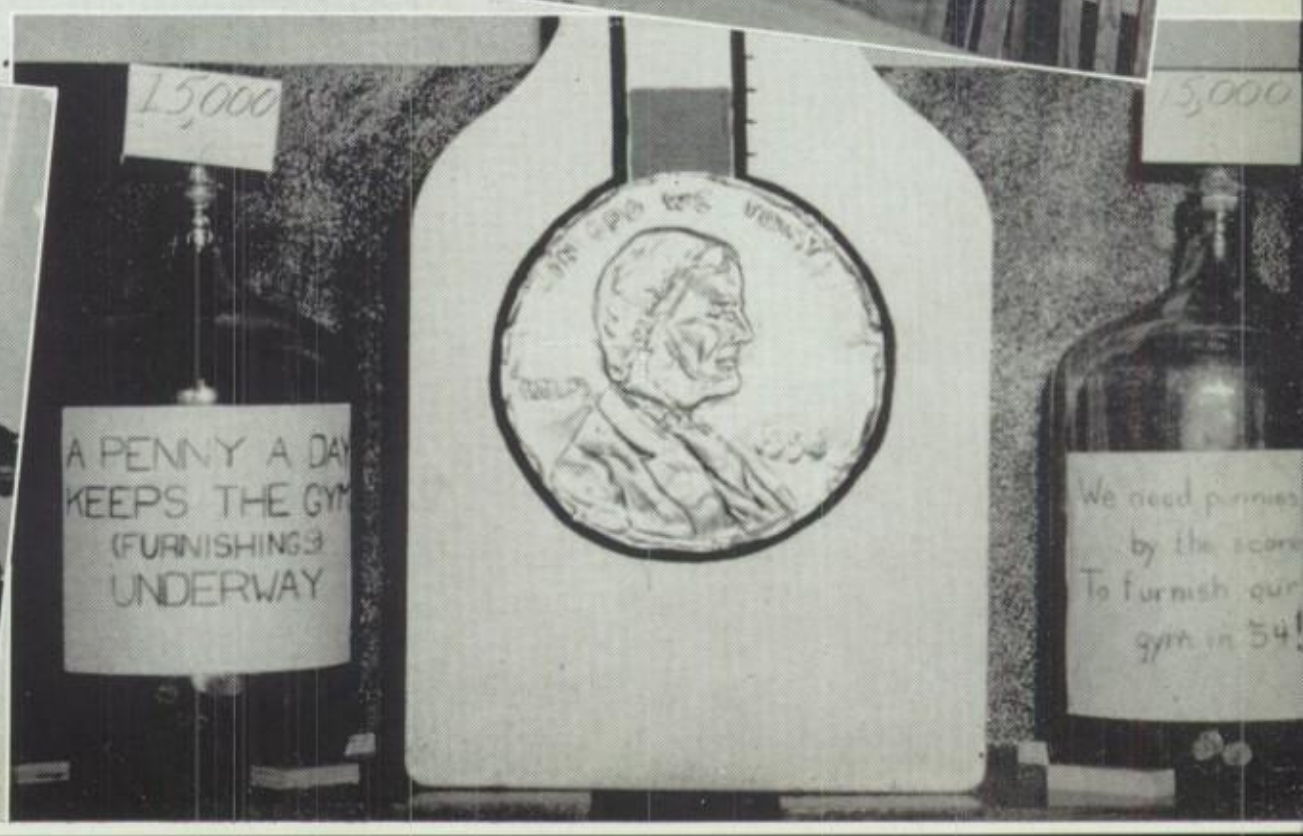
"A Million Or More In '54"—this slogan is familiar to every Blufftonite. The Student Council launched a city-wide campaign for 1,000,000 pennies to buy scoreboards, stage curtain, cyclorama, and footlights for the new gym. Jars were passed at ball games, left in almost every store, and passed in home rooms. Every Friday meant an all-school contest. Who could collect the most pennies? Posters of a sad tiger, "I'se Low," and a happy tiger, "I'se High," were passed from one home room to another as the competition grew stiffer. Naturally, "I'se High" was a coveted prize.

The biggest project of the year was the "Gym-Jamz of '54," held on April 23. The whole school helped make the carnival a big success. It brought in plenty of pennies and made the copper in our thermometer rise!

President Mallers, Vice-president Rhodes, and Secretary Kay Robbins headed the penny pushers.

UPPER LEFT; Seated: Foster, Thoma, Burroughs, E. Scott. Standing; J. Higgins, M. Micklitsch, Pfister, Creek, Boltin. LOWER LEFT; Seated: Worthman, S. Larmore, Crump. Standing: D. Park, Mitchell, Hook, Schultz.

UPPER RIGHT; left to right: S. Gregg, B. Steele, M. Markley, Sprague K. Robbins, Mallers, D. Higgins, Rhodes, Durbin, Tyndall, V. Meyer, Schmidt. LOWER RIGHT: This is what Bluffton High has become famous for—pennies! Our total is growing every day.



Sports

To Leroy the treasured trophies of victory were important; but they were overshadowed by fair play, earnest endeavor, and good sportsmanship.

TOP; SEATED: J. Robbins, D. Stogdill, Kiefer, Schmidt, King, V. Kahn, Christianson, Huss, Osborne. FIRST ROW: Coach Dold, Fitzpatrick, D. Higgins J. Geels, Ross, L. Scott, W. Harter, D. Flowers, A. Scott, Uptgraft, J. Emshwiller. SECOND ROW: J. Deming, Messick, M. Micklitsch, M. Hyde, R. Harter, Foster, C. Rhodes, R. Keller, Boltin, D. Hyde, Harnish, Athan, Cobb. THIRD ROW: Coach Larmore, Reimschisel, Randall, J. Creek, J. Higgins, Hiester, Coach Compton.

BOTTOM LEFT: "Clyde" and the boys check the instruments of mayhem.

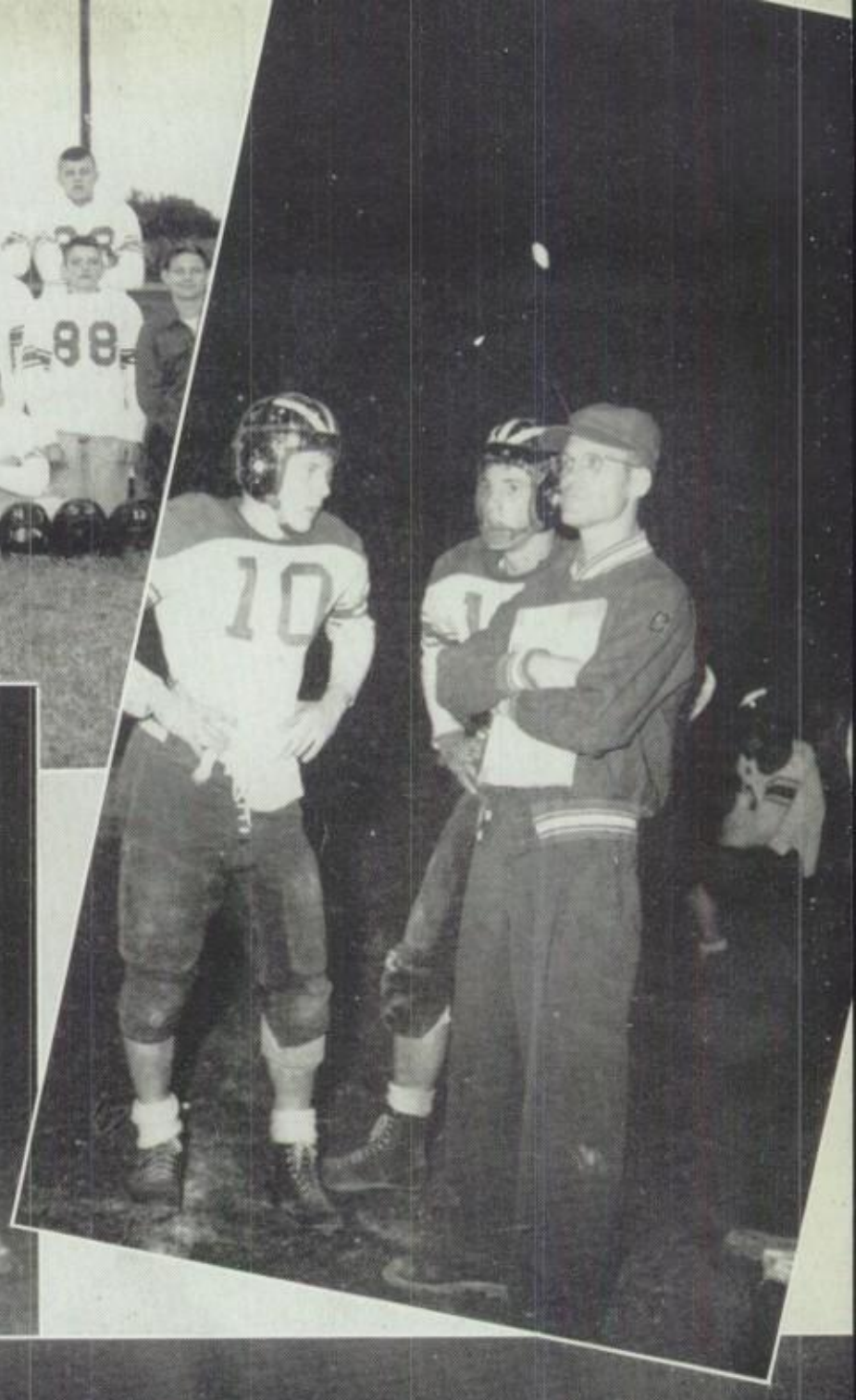
BOTTOM RIGHT: Our three able coaches prepare a Tiger for the coming fray.

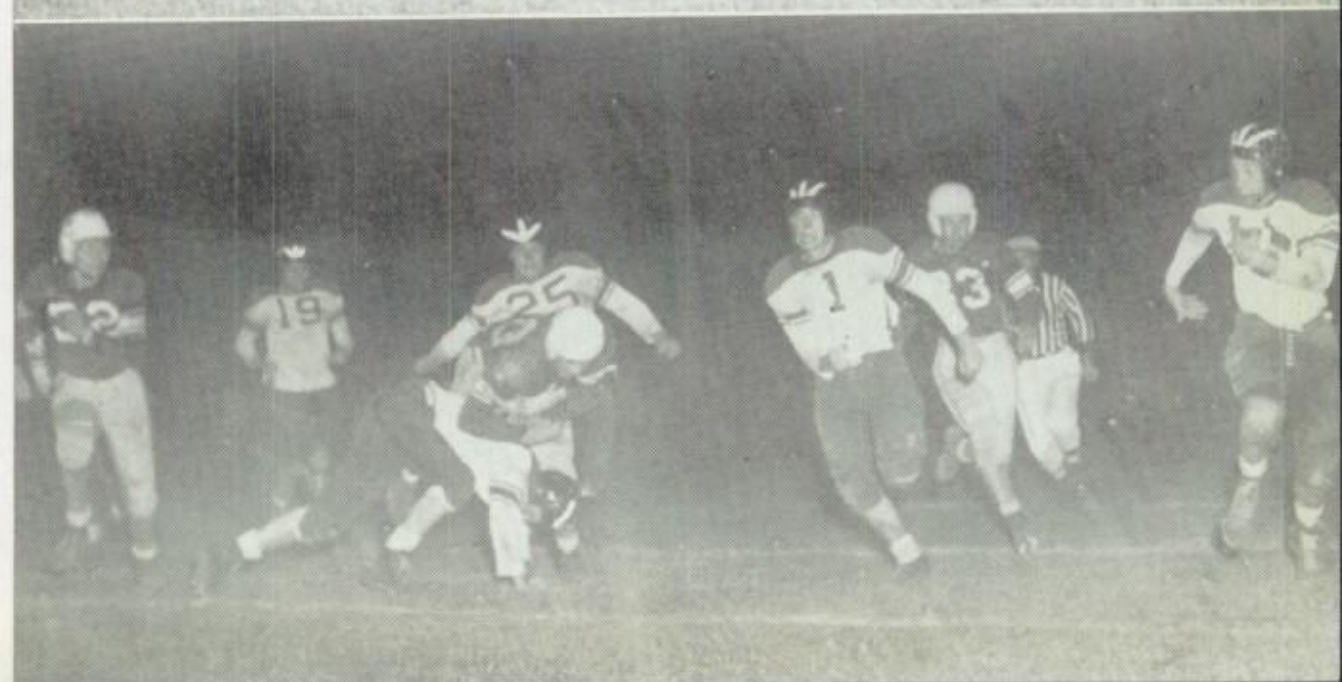
Bluffton Has Fourth Best Football Season In History

The grid men of Bluffton High turned in a very impressive record of five wins, three losses, and one tie which was the fourth best season in Tiger history. Led by Coach Dold and his assistants, Mr. Larmore and Mr. Compton, the Tigers rolled over their first three opponents before suffering defeat at the hands of Auburn. The Tigers finished out the season with wins over Garrett and Portland, but had to settle for a tie with Columbia City.

Bluffton finished in a tie for second place in the NEIC with Columbia City. The complete season record is:

We—19, Kendallville—12; We—13, Mississinewa—12; We—14, Decatur—7; We—0, Auburn—25; We—7, Coumbia City—7; We—7, Warsaw—26; We—19, Garrett—0; We—38, Portland—19; We—13, New Haven—32.





UPPER LEFT. FRESHMAN TEAM. SEATED (left to right): B. Elston, C. Steele, Gavin, Somers, Park, J. Davis. SECOND ROW: Bates, Zoll, D. Creek, Reeves, Plummer, Cochran, Hammond, Wasson, J. Inskeep, Freese. THIRD ROW: Steury, B. Ulmer, Pennick, Hook, Coach Brinson, Reimke, Kunkel, F. Schreiber, Tewell.

LOWER LEFT: Athan and Uptgraft close in for the kill.

UPPER RIGHT: Harnish and Dold watch the play as Micklitsch waits for instructions.

MIDDLE RIGHT. Athan goes down the sidelines as Hay and Micklitsch run interference.

LOWER RIGHT: Harnish streaks down the side with Athan and Harter coming fast.

Wearers of the

Athan: Football, Basketball, Baseball.
Boltin: Football.
Bowen: Track.
Brown: Basketball Student Manager.
Cobb: Football.
Creek: Track.
Deming: Football, Track.
Flowers: Football, Basketball, Baseball.
Foster: Football, Basketball.
Hay: Football, Basketball.
Harnish: Football, Basketball, Track, Baseball.
Harter: Football, Basketball, Track.
Higgins: Football, Basketball, Baseball.
Hyde, M.: Football.
Hyde, D.: Football.

LOWER LEFT: The victorious Tigers whoop it up.

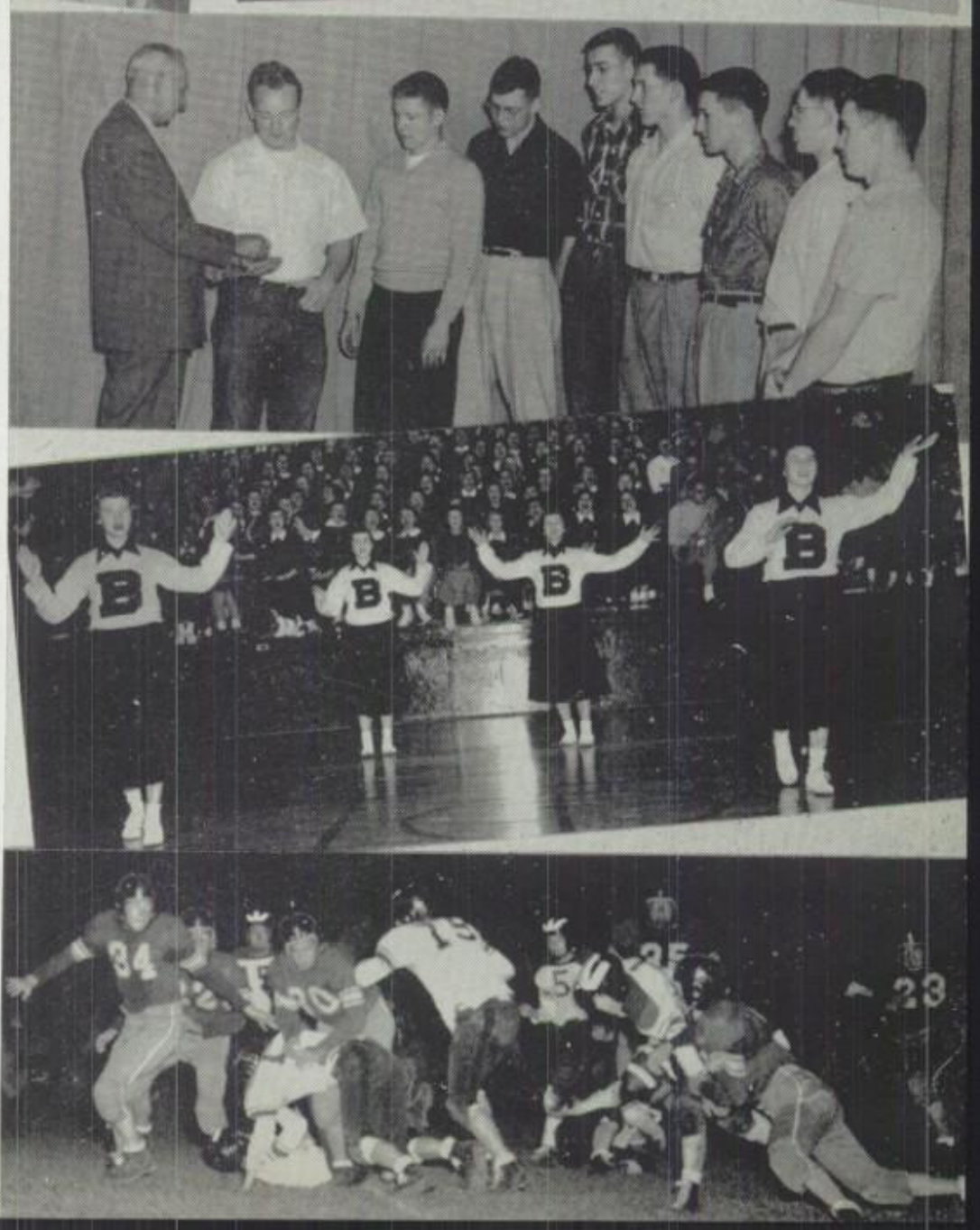
Major "B"

Keller: Football, Baseball.
Kahn: Football.
Lusk: Football, Basketball.
Mallers: Basketball, Baseball.
Messick: Football, Track.
Micklitsch: Football, Basketball, Baseball.
Randall: Football, Basketball.
Reimschisel: Football, Baseball.
Rhodes: Football, Basketball, Baseball Student Manager.
Robbins: Football Student Manager.
Scott: Track, Football.
Uptgraft: Football, Baseball.
Stogdill: Football Student Manager.
Zingsheim: Track.

TOP: "Temp" presents Max Hyde with his football as the other NEIC lettermen look on.

MIDDLE: Pat, Linda, Carolyn, and Sue take care of a Tiger chant.

BOTTOM: Action waxes hot and heavy in this Tiger fracas.



FIRST ROW: Flowers, J. Higgins, Foster, R. Harter, Hay. SECOND ROW: Randall, Harnish, Fryback, M. Micklitsch, Mallers, Athan, Rhodes. THIR D ROW: Coach Dold, Lusk, Coach Compton, L. Brown, R. Stogdill, J. Ulmer.

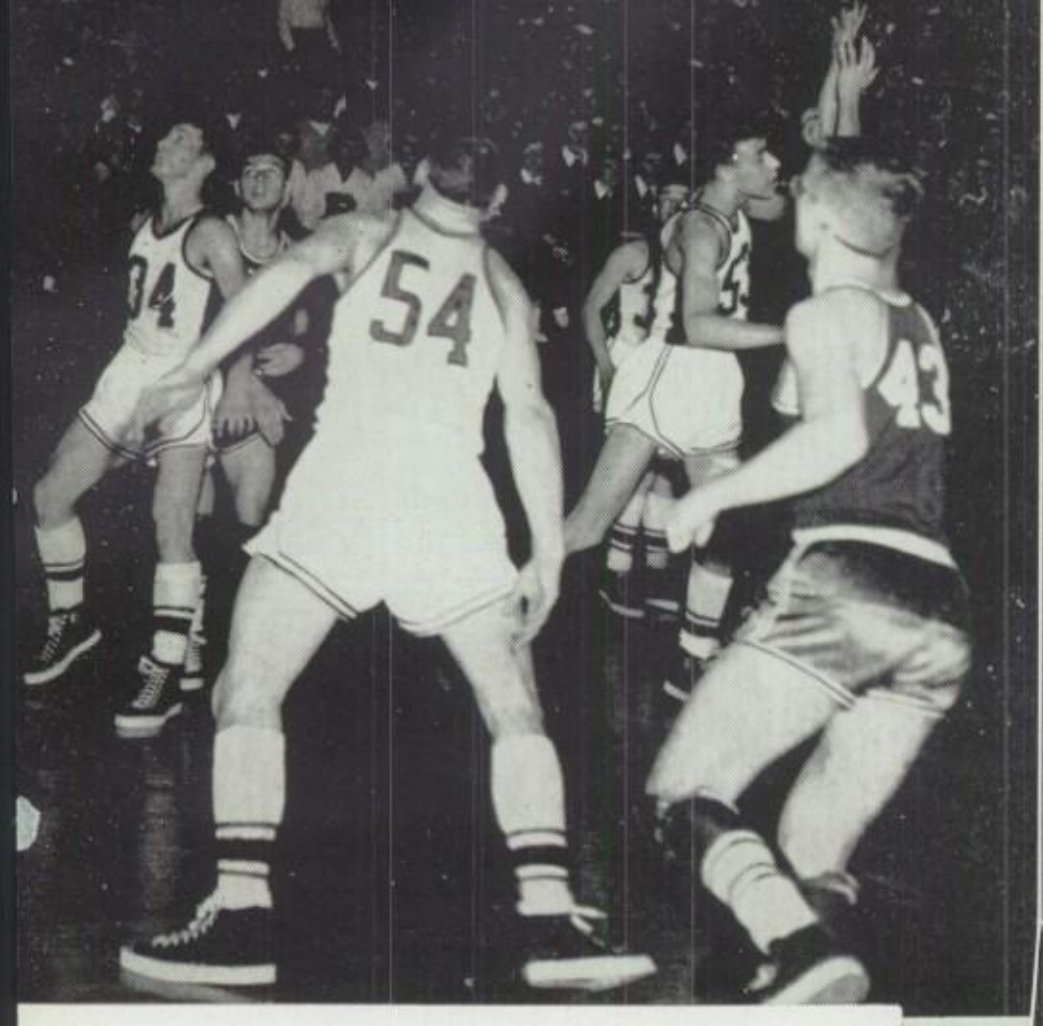
Bluffton Wins First Regional Game In 22 Years

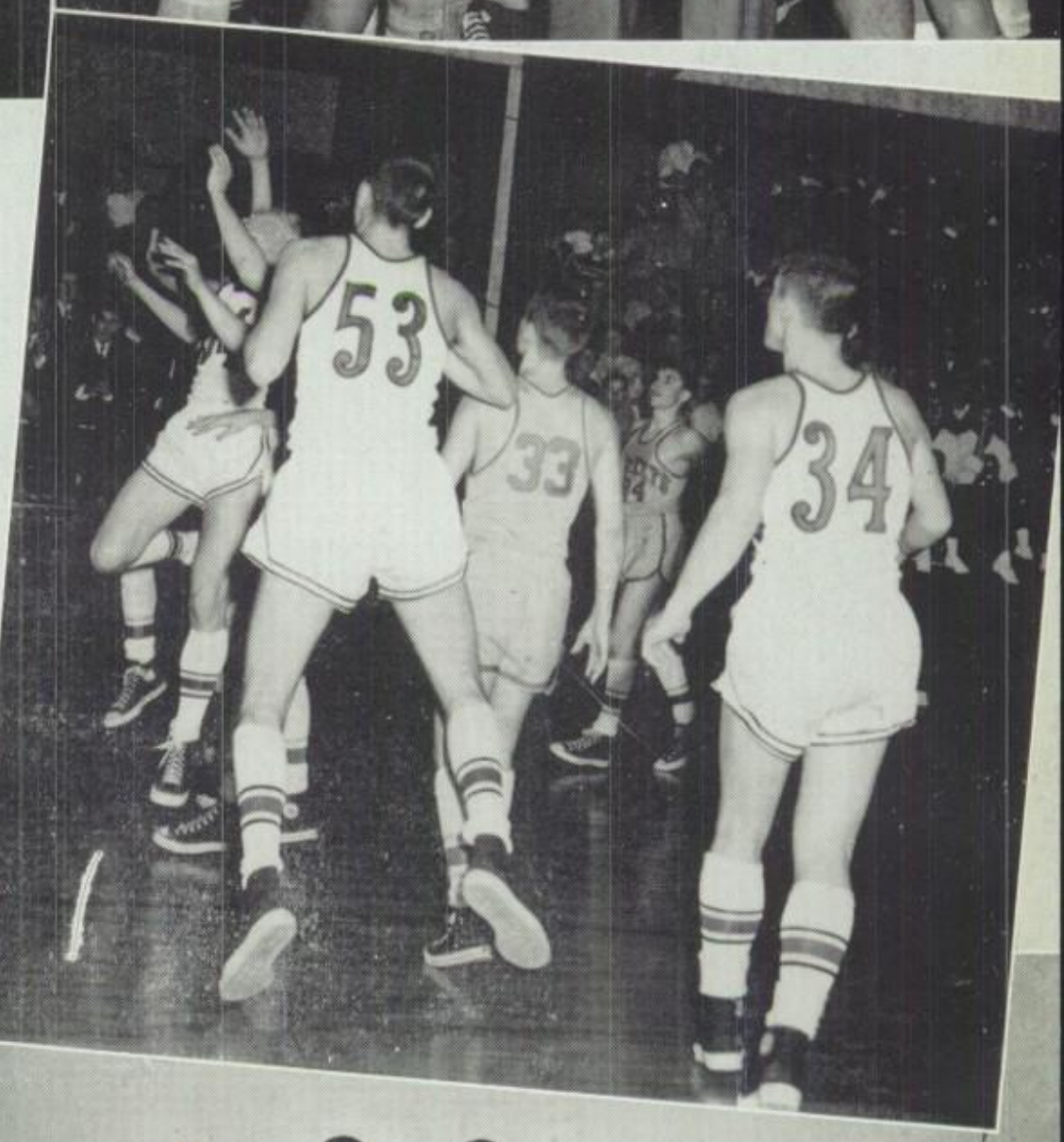
After winning their second Sectional in three years the Bluffton Tigers basketball team under its very able mentor, Leroy Compton, went on to beat a much taller Huntington team in the first game of the Marion Regional. It was the first time since 1932 that Bluffton had won a Regional game.

The Tigers were invincible on their home court while winning two games on the road. The Tigers found themselves up against such formidable foes as South Side, Huntington, and Auburn and did a very creditable job. Even though their record was not astounding, the Tigers had the spirit and drive to carry them through the Sectional and into the finals of the Regional.

TOP LEFT: Coaches Compton and Dold make plans for the hardwood campaign.

BOTTOM LEFT: Clyde and Jack struggle along as Brownie makes like a foreman.





The complete season record is:

We—51, Hartford City—46; We—48, Decatur—36; We—39, South Side—43; We—57, Dunkirk—50; We—39, Central Catholic—43; We—49, Columbia City—37: We—51, Winchester—46; We—51, Huntington—66; We—44, Wabash—47; We—52, Decatur—55; We—44, New Haven—55; We—56, Garrett—58; We—68, Ossian—57; We—35, Kendallville—45; We—66, Warsaw—45; We—55, Decatur—54; We—54, Warren—39; We—66, Berne—60; We—47, Auburn—65; We—64, Portland—57; We—60, Union—50; We—45, Chester—37; We—40, Ossian—33; We—38, Huntington—27; We—36, Mississinewa—54.

UPPER LEFT: Mo and Steve know it's up there somewhere! !

UPPER RIGHT: The Tigers gather around Coach Compton before play is resumed.

MIDDLE: Mo and Chuck go after the ball as action grows tense in a hardwood tussle with Decatur.

The Tiger Cubs had a fine season and many of the boys show promise for the future.

FIRST ROW: J. Emshwiller, Brower, Deam, Fitzpatrick, K. Grove, Uptgraft, D. Higgins, Lautzenheiser. SECOND ROW: A. Scott, W. Harter, L. Scott, Dunwiddie, S. Hinesley, D. Lockwood, E. Higgins, Ccach Dold.

Tigers Have Good Season With Many Underclassmen

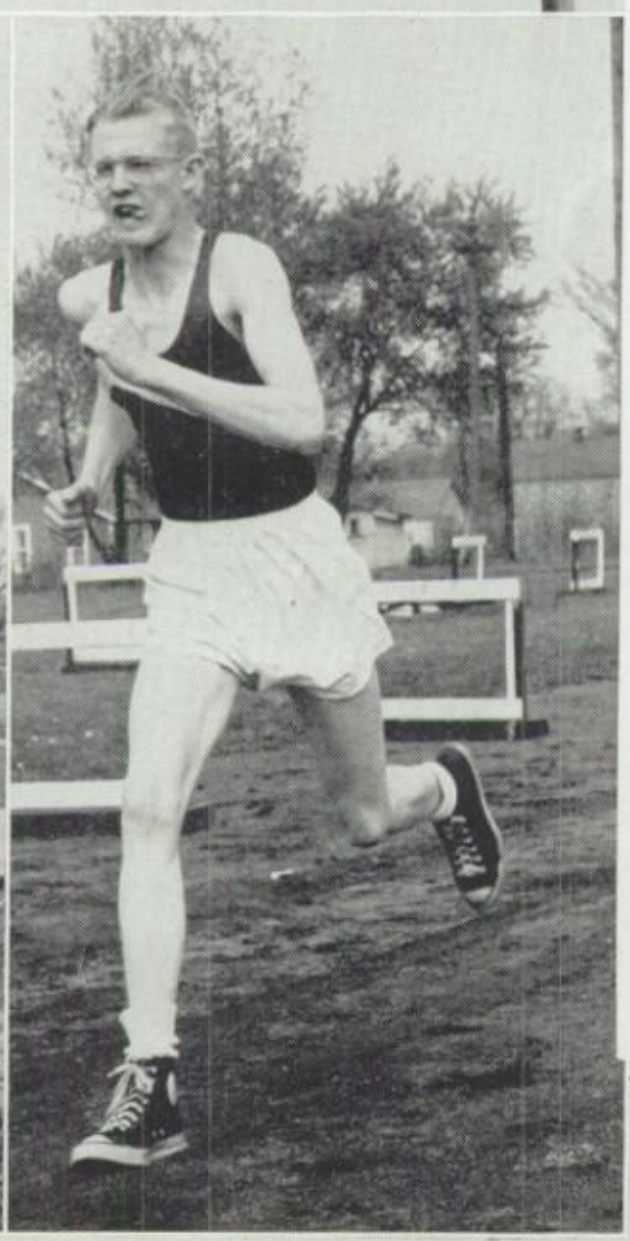
Under the able guidance of Coach Dee Compton, the Bluffton baseball team won four out of seven games last year. They finished second in the NEIC.

The team was composed of mostly underclassmen. With seven returning lettermen, the Tigers have great hopes for a fine season in '54.

We—11, Huntington Catholic—10; We—0, Berne—4; We—3, Warsaw—11; We—5, Decatur—4; We—0, Portland—4; We—2, Decatur—1; We—3, New Haven—2.

UPPER RIGHT: Keller goes for the fence. . . .
MIDDLE RIGHT: Mallers runs it out, but in vain.

BOTTOM; KNEELING: Harnish Dobson, Beitinger, Reimschisel, D. Flowers, Coach Compton. MIDDLE ROW: J. Gregg, M. Micklitsch, Cobb, Uptgraft, Irving, Athan, Mallers. BACK ROW: J. Deming, Garton, Gerber, Shady, R. Keller, Lusk, J. Higgins.



Tiger Thinlies Turn In Good Season

Showing much good form and breaking many records, the thinlies of B. H. S. gave the track fans many an evening of thrills and entertainment although they did not turn in a winning season in '53. Boys like Jerry Messick, Joe Creek, Jerry Bowen, and Fred Zingsheim showed much promise for future glory. Fred Meyer was our star hurdler and high jumper, while Gordie Beitinger and Buss Shady ran the distances. Bob Harter carried the load in the shot put while Allan Scott, a freshman, was a very good quarter-miler. Under the supervision of Coach Les Dold, these boys gave a fine showing for the season. The complete season record is:

We— 59 2/3, New Haven—49 1/3; We—57 1/2, Royerton—69 1/2, Dunkirk—10; We—45 1/2, Central Catholic—72, Portland—19 1/2; We—73, Lancaster—36; We—39 5/6, Mississinewa—69 1/6; We—75 5/6, Decatur—33 1/6; We—32, Garrett—63, Columbia City—42; We—26, Central-Fort Wayne—69, Huntington—20; Kokomo Relays—13 1/6; Conference Meet—19 1/2; Sectional Meet—13; Marion Relays—10; Regional—4.

TOP: Messick clears the bar for a place.

MIDDLE: Harter heaves the shot . . . Joe Creek sprints the last few yards.

BOTTOM; SEATED: King, Uptgraft, K. Grove, Osborn, J. Messick, L. Kneuss. MIDDLE ROW: J. Ulmer, Schmidt, Irving, A. Scott. R. Harter. J. Creek, Captain, M. Micklitsch, J. Deming. THIRD ROW: Garton, Zingsheim, D. Hyde, Ferguson, Gerber, Coach Dold, F. Meyer, Shady, J. Cobb, Beitinger, M. Meyer.

Wrestling

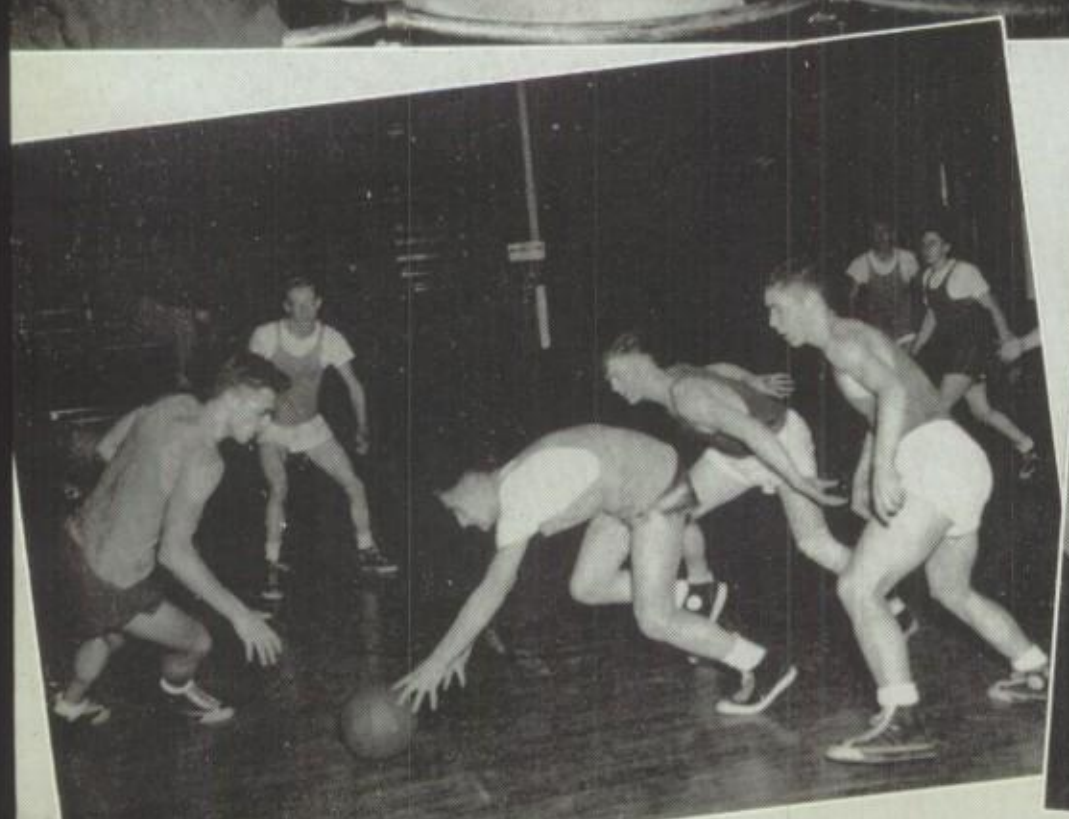
Wrestling has banner year in B. H. S. TOP LEFT. SEATED 1ST ROW: Van Emon, C. Steele, K. Miller, Somers, Schreiber. SEATED 2ND ROW: Elston, Schorey, Keifer, V. Kahn, Huss-St. mgr., Plummer, Steury, Schmidt. STANDING: Gelow, Christianson, Ross, Pfister, Cupp, T. Fowers, Edington, Coach Brinson. MIDDLE LEFT: Kahn and Keifer "make" like a pretzel.

Bowling

Bowling enjoyed some due interest during the year. MIDDLE RIGHT: Max Hyde and Rush watch Dick Hyde's antics with disinterest as Pingry can't bear to look.

Intramural Basketball

As always intramural basketball was one of the most favorite activities of the student body—as players and spectators. MIDDLE LEFT: Capts. Milholland, Messick, Reiff, Deming, Reimschisel, and Boltin talk things over with "Temp." BOTTOM LEFT: Looks more like football than basketball—hike! ! BOTTOM RIGHT: Looks friendly here, but, OH brother! ! !



G. A. A.

"Tumbling tonight? Oh, my aching back!"—quite a familiar phrase around the halls of B. H. S. come Wednesday evening. Even though every sport isn't popular with every participant, the Girls' Athletic Association has continued to strive for its goal of stimulating good health, better sportsmanship, and clean living among the "weaker" sex.

Included in the schedule are basketball, volleyball, soccer, and softball. In addition to the planned program, members received credit for outside activities such as bowling, skating, swimming, and hiking.

Players from the health ed. classes and G.A.A. won two games of basketball from Ossian, and they also defeated Berne in volleyball.

Last spring the G. A. A. elected the following officers to guide them through '53-'54: Harriet Sprague, president; Barbara Heller, vice-president; and Janice Harter, secretary-treasurer. Along with its enthusiastic sponsor, Mrs. Grove, the club had a year full of fun and success.

UPPER RIGHT: Heller tries to block Sprague's shot, while Bayless and Vore are ready to rebound.

LOWER RIGHT: Eisaman's kick is being blocked by B. Steele as teammates look on.

G. C. Templin, Mason, Sprague, Barwiller, Redd, Meade, Eisaman, Bayless, Stuck, J. Meyer, J. Harter, E. Davis, Kyle.

A. J. Noonan, E. McBride, Heller, Schreiber, B. Steele, C. Hinesley, Vore, M. Van Emon, Gebele, Eichhorn, J. Garrison, Speheger.

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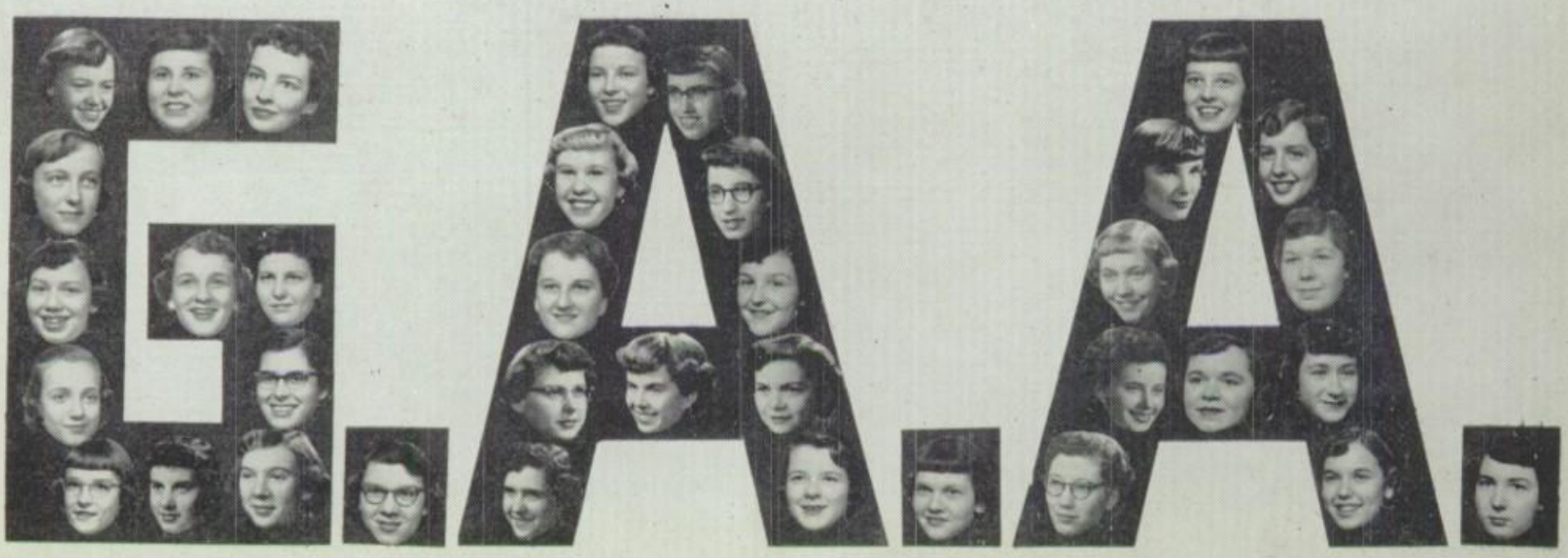

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Well, Folks,

The time has come to say goodbye. I wish that we could just go on and on forever. It was a lot of fun, though, wasn't it? I know I enjoyed it. Of course there are more years ahead, but I guess some of you won't be back, huh?

We cried a little this year over some of those ball games, and we laughed a lot over the class plays. And those teachers who we thought were going to be just awful turned out to be wonderful people. It was really a swell year.

I have to go now. Summer vacation is starting soon, and I want you to know that I'm going to miss you. I hope you'll miss me a little, too. Now, it's goodbye to the seniors. Let's all wish them luck. But I'll be seeing the rest of you next year.

Your loving friend,
Leroy

P. S. Don't forget I'm moving to a new building next year.

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